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... the more we talk about it, the worse it seems.' — Jeff Roper, co-owner of Roper's, on the Magic Valley's farm economy.



Aron Agreda, 2, watches while Timothy Bork, 8, tries out a remote control construction set at The Imagination Station in Twin Falls. Despite a weak farm economy, retailers say they are optimistic about the Christmas selling season.

## Holiday harvest

Retailers are optimistic about Christmas; farmers not so sure

By Loraine Cavenor  
and Pat Marcantonio  
Times-News writers

PAUL — Perry Gillette, a Paul farmer, says the same number of gifts will be under the family Christmas tree this year.

But probably no big-ticket items, such as snowmobiles and skis.

"Wheat prices haven't done well, and open market prices for potatoes are down for the third year," Gillette said. "Record lower prices has really created a greater gloom."

A friend of his went to work for Amalgamated Sugar after selling his sugar beets and turned around and went to work for a bean warehouse after selling his beans, Gillette said. The crops just hadn't brought in enough money.

"I don't know when the other shoe will fall," he said.

Despite a Scrooge-like farm economy, small and large retailers in the Magic Valley are optimistic about reaping holiday profits. They're banking on an economy less dependent on farm dollars and featuring a wider variety of businesses.

"The media talks about how bad it is, but the more we talk about it, the worse it seems," said Jeff Roper, one of the owners of Roper's clothing stores in Twin Falls and Burley.

### Feeling optimistic

"Christmas is a critical time for all retailers," Roper said. "But we have had a good year so far. It



Patty Hodge shows off a teddy bear at Kmart in Burley, as stores across the Magic Valley are gearing up for the holiday season.

### Farming by the numbers

Farm jobs, as a percentage of the total work force  
☐ Magic Valley: 27 percent  
☐ Statewide: 12 percent  
 Farm economic contributions to gross product  
☐ Magic Valley: 26 percent  
☐ State: 13 percent  
 Source: University of Idaho Extension Service

has not been a disaster by any means."

He has ordered plenty of hot ticket items such as Tommy and Lucky jeans and lots of Columbia

sportswear, he said. He is optimistic. The farm economy is only one factor affecting retail markets.

Jan Jaynes, assistant manager at the Imagination Station toy and hobby store off Pole Line Road in Twin Falls, said the community's economy has diversified with other industries, such as the Clear Shield National plastics cutlery plant, and newer families in the area.

"Probably, we'll notice it a little bit from the farmer," she said. "We make up for it."

One product sure to help holiday sales is the Supersonic Air. It sold out last year and already is selling well this season.

"It kind of looks like a satellite dish and you pull the trigger and

it magnifies sound so you can listen to conversations," Jaynes explained.

Sheri Arkoosh, the owner of Western clothing stores, expects a nice Christmas season. So does Sheri Arkoosh, the wife of a potato farmer.

So far, business hasn't dropped, said Arkoosh, who owns Lonesome Cowboy stores in Wendell, Twin Falls and Hailey. Potato prices are still low, but better than they have been.

"It's starting to pick up. These farmers have diversified enough to keep them going and me going," she said.

And there are fewer farm families. With combined farming operations, fewer families are riding the turbulence of the farm economy.

"I'd say 20 years ago we were worried about the harvest," said Tony Bozzuto of Bozzuto Furniture in Shoshone.

Managers at larger chains match the optimism of smaller stores.

"The economy is bad, but I don't think it will affect Christmas shoppers," said Gary Jones-Burley, Kmart general manager. "Christmas is a time when people do whatever they need to always come up with the money."

Meanwhile at Wal-Mart, 12 more employees are working this Christmas than last year.

"Customers will shop with us when times are rough," manager Jeff Hansen said. "We've man-

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## Clinton warns N. Korea

U.S. won't tolerate nuke proliferation

The Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea — Warning North Korea to stop nuclear weapons, President Clinton showed off America's military power on Saturday. Thanksgiving visit Sunday with troops on watch near the world's most heavily guarded border.

Before helicoptering to a training center, Clinton attended a chapel service at the U.S. Army headquarters for Korea.

Yongsan base in Seoul. He was accompanied by Gen. John T. Illi, commander of U.S. forces in Korea. They sat in the fourth row and listened to a gospel choir and a sermon about Thanksgiving. Clinton listened to shake hands with a mix of troops both in camouflage uniforms and civilian dress.

Clinton spoke Saturday at a

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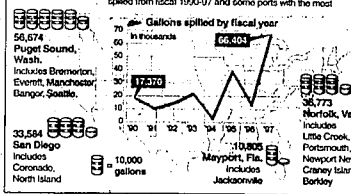
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### Navy spills

A look at the amount of fuel and other pollutants the Navy has spilled from local 1990-97 and some ports with the most



Source: US Navy data, AP analysis

from fiscal 1990 to '97, according to an Associated Press analysis of

Navy data. On average, there was a spill every two days.

"Oil in the water is a concern to anybody, regardless of the amount," said Capt. John Schrinner, Norfolk port captain for the U.S. Coast Guard, which is responsible for cleanliness and safety on the water.

From Pearl Harbor to Philadelphia, Navy spills have become commonplace. The largest bases see the most. Puget Sound ports had the greatest spillage: 56,074 gallons during the eight-year period. That's 60 percent of all spills in the Sound, Navy and Coast Guard data show. Norfolk-area spills came to 36,773 gallons. The San Diego waterfront counted 33,584 gallons. The Mayport, Fla., area: 10,805.

The main culprits are old technology — shipboard fuel tanks are often measured by sticks — a pole down to see how much is wet — as well as complex fuel transfer systems and human error.

"Virtually every recent spill would not have occurred if properly trained and supervised personnel had followed written procedures to the letter," Rear Adm. W.D. Center, commander of the Seattle naval base, wrote to his unit commanders following a recent spill of oil.

The admiral noted the importance of reacting quickly to help inspectors do their work. "Unfortunately," he said, "we

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## THE REGION

## Carnos Prairie

High 76 Low 22  
Cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Treasure Valley

High 44 Low 22  
Cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Sawtooth Mountains/Wood River Valley

High 36 Low 18  
Cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Eastern Idaho

High 42 Low 26  
Rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Northern Idaho

High 44 Low 34  
Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Northern Utah

High 46 Low 26  
Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## Northern Nevada

High 48 Low 34  
Cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening. Mostly clear with a chance of rain in the evening.

## MAGIC VALLEY FIVE-DAY FORECAST

## Today

High 47 Low 15  
Mostly cloudy with a chance of rain in the morning and evening.

## Monday

High 46 Low 15  
Partly cloudy.

## Tuesday

High 40s Low 30s  
Valley rain and mist. Sun shows thru.

## Wednesday

High 40s Low 30s  
Mostly cloudy.

## Thursday

High 40s Low 30s  
Cloudy with a chance of rain or snow.

## Idaho weather

Sunday, Nov. 22

Actual weather forecast for Sunday conditions, high/low temperatures.



## National weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Sunday, Nov. 22.

The nearest address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: http://www.state.idaho.gov/road/road.htm



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz. The nearest address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: http://www.state.idaho.gov/road/road.htm

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## IDAHO ROAD REPORT

BOISE (AP) — Here are Saturday evening's road conditions from the Idaho Department of Transportation.

Interstate 84 — Oregon line (Glenview Ferry) dry, wet, Glenview Ferry to Utah line, dry.

Interstate 84 — Utah line (Glenview Ferry) dry, wet, Glenview Ferry to Utah line, dry.

Interstate 15 — Utah line (Pocatello) dry, wet, Pocatello to Idaho line, dry.

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Interstate 20 — Washington line (Wallace) dry, wet, Wallace to Idaho line, dry.

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## Bankers Trust may merge with German bank

The Washington Post

Bankers Trust Corp., the nation's eighth largest bank, is reportedly close to a merger with Germany's largest bank, Deutsche Bank A.G., in a deal that would be the latest in a series of national and cross-border agreements that are reshaping global businesses from financial services to auto manufacturing.

The merger of Bankers Trust into Deutsche Bank would greatly expand the German company's presence in U.S. financial markets, a goal it has long sought. It also would underscore, many analysts believe, the difficulty that all but the largest U.S. banks and brokerage firms will have in competing in international financial services markets in the next decade.

Bankers Trust has had a rocky year financially, making it ripe for takeover, analysts have said. Talk of negotiations between Bankers Trust and Deutsche Bank has circulated in the financial services community in New York and Washington for weeks.

## Korea

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"strong suspicion" that an underground construction project in the communist North that is barred from U.S. inspection is nuclear related.

Saying the United States has an "unshakable alliance" with Seoul, Clinton urged North Korea to seize "an historic opportunity" for peace extended by South Korean President Kim Dae-jung in his policy of engagement with his neighbor.

Kim said North Korea "is cautiously but noticeably taking measures to increase international cooperation." But Kim, in office less than a year, said he and Clinton agreed that "we will not tolerate any possible attempt of North Korea to proliferate nuclear weapons, missiles and other weapons of mass destruction."

The two leaders spoke at a news conference at the Blue House, Seoul's presidential residence named for its roof of blue ceramic tiles. Later, they toasted each other at a dinner in a state guest house.

To underscore the U.S. military

commitment, Clinton was flying north of Seoul to a training center, bristling with military hardware, from Apache attack helicopters to M-1 Abrams tanks and Bradley Fighting Vehicles. He also planned to address American troops at Osan Air Base from a B-2 spy plane hangar.

In his weekly radio address, the president called the Korean Peninsula "the last fault line in the Cold War" where almost 40,000 Americans are helping South Korea defend its freedom. Sunday's lunch with the troops featured processed MREs — meals-ready-to-eat.

An armistice, not a peace treaty, ended the 1950-53 Korean War, and the Koreans remain technically in a state of war. Close to 2 million troops are deployed on both sides of the border.

Security worries and Asia's economic collapse were Clinton's top themes in South Korea, he says, were earlier in Japan. He urged Korea to continue to open its markets, resist protectionism and prevent unfair trade practices in private sectors like steel and semiconductors.

factor at the holidays and year-round, he said.

"It's still an important chunk," Meyer said.

For every new dollar that agriculture or other industry brings in, it creates two or more dollars simply by changing hands, said Kelly Matthews, First Federal Security Bank economist in Salt Lake City.

Agriculture is one of those things that obviously brings new money into the system," he said.

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# GIANT OF A DEAL



The 45-by-65-inch poster of the 1933 classic 'King Kong' brought \$62,000 at an auction Saturday in Boston. Steven Rotman, a furniture store owner from Worcester, Mass., placed the high bid and has collected posters for 20 years.

## House GOP seems torn by impeachment thicket

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Even as Judiciary Committee Republicans push for articles of impeachment against President Clinton for lying about his affair with Monica S. Lewinsky, most House Republicans appear torn by the decision or eager to find a way out of the thicket.

Dozens of interviews with House Republicans conducted during the week of the impeachment battle with Clinton.

What's more, a few Republicans have begun voicing out against impeaching the president, which could enhance prospects that Congress will seek a face-saving alternative — such as a censure — to end the year-long political crisis.

"I'm very certain there are not enough votes to impeach the president," said Rep. Peter T. King, R-N.Y., one of the opponents. While the allegations against the president may well constitute violations of the law, he said, "I do not believe they are impeachable offenses comparable to treason or bribery."

Members search for a way out as pressured by several factors, not least of which is their recognition that the Senate is unlikely to muster the two-thirds majority needed to convict and remove the president. While Republicans are troubled by widespread voter disapproval of their party's handling of the impeachment proceedings, many also fear Clinton might go unimpeached unless an alternative action is found. And some lawmakers appear genuinely conflicted over whether the president's conduct merits throwing his act out of office.

"I want to hear why these offenses are impeachable," said Rep. Jack Kingston, R-Ga. "I think that's going to be the case with lots of members. I'm not 100 percent convinced they are impeachable. I want to know more."

Star's 12 hours of testimony Thursday may have emboldened GOP members of the Judiciary Committee in their drive for impeachment, but other House

Republicans are far more divided about the wisdom of that approach. There was little discernible evidence that the independent counsel's appearance — while deemed impressive by many — had much impact in changing minds. And even some conservatives who have criticized the president were musing about finding creative alternatives out of the crisis.

Rep. David M. McIntosh of Louisiana, the leader of the House GOP's conservative caucus, said he is intrigued by the idea of

*"I'm very certain there are not enough votes to impeach the president."*

— Rep. Peter T. King, R-N.Y.

impeaching and convicting the president for lying about the Lewinsky affair and obstructing justice, but allowing him to complete his term with the proviso that he could never again hold public office.

"I don't think the Constitution provides for censure," he said. "It would establish a bad precedent and weaken our form of government. I do think we have to do our duty and determine whether his duties and misdemeanors were committed. And I think Starr provided very strong evidence of the crimes and obstruction of justice."

Five Republicans, including senior members of the appropriations and budget committees and a prominent conservative activist, have said they will vote no should the House Judiciary Committee report out articles of impeachment next month. A handful of other moderates have indicated privately that they will oppose impeachment but are not yet ready to make that stance public.

Some members suggested that as many as 20 Republicans were ready to oppose impeachment. Because the GOP holds a fragile 11-vote majority in the current Congress and the Democrats can be expected to present a relative

ly solid bloc of support for the president, such defections would virtually assure the demise of any impeachment article that reaches the House floor.

Rep. John Edward Porter, R-Ill., a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee and a vigorous opponent of impeachment, said Congress must choose some lesser form of punishment, such as formal censure, and then "move on."

"The purpose of impeachment is not to punish an errant president but to protect the country," Porter said. "A resolution of censure would have strong bipartisan support and would send the message the president's conduct is not acceptable."

Republican Shays of Connecticut, a senior member of the House Budget Committee, Jack Quinn (N.Y.) and Mark Edward Souder (Ind.), a leader among the House conservative activists, have also said they would oppose impeachment based on the current evidence. "I believe that the interest to impeach the president is running out of gas," Quinn said recently.

"The Senate presents even more formidable obstacles. Republicans hold 55 seats, 12 short of the 67 votes required for conviction if all senators are present, and some Republicans have indicated support for a lesser sanction. Both GOP and Democratic leaders agree that, as of now, a two-thirds majority is well beyond reach."

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## GOP presses Social Security rescue

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton should lead efforts to keep Social Security solvent but not ask Congress to raise taxes, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer said Saturday.

"Saving Social Security will require presidential leadership and it will require specifics," Archer, R-Texas, said in the

weekly Republican radio address. "It will require something that only President Clinton can provide."

Archer repeated his earlier assertion that Clinton "must be making the biggest miscalculation of his presidency" if efforts to rescue Social Security are left to competing ideas in Congress.

## GOP goals

House committee Chairman Bill Archer said any major accomplishment must include:   
• A major current and future reform equally.   
• No increases in taxes. Payroll taxes currently pay for Social Security.   
• A safety net for the needy and disabled.   
• New retirement options for younger workers.

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# NATION

## Woman dying of leukemia takes wedding vows in N.Y. hospital

New York Daily News

NEW YORK — The bride was beautiful in white, the groom looked nervous in his tuxedo, and they promised to love and honor each other for all the days of their lives.

It was a most extraordinary ceremony, because as Evelyn Perez and Leon Benjamin recited their vows in a Bronx hospital Saturday, they knew they would not have a future together. Perez is dying of leukemia.

They swore their commitment at an inspiring wedding, where very few of the tears were of joy. "I decided I wanted to marry her, and sickness was not going to stop me," said Benjamin, 26, of the Bronx.

Acknowledging they may not have much time together, Benjamin said, "We're just hoping for the best."

Two weeks ago, Benjamin proposed to his love in Room 608 in Montefiore Medical Center's adolescent medicine unit.

Jennifer Abzug, a social worker in the unit, had been working with Perez since the summer. Perez has been confined to the hospital for the past month.

"After Leon proposed, we all discussed it and thought having the wedding would be a lovely way to grant her wish," Abzug said.

The hospital staffers immediately set to work, ordering a cake, flowers, helping Benjamin get his tuxedo, getting a priest to perform the Catholic rites, and asking Abzug's roommate to do the makeup.

But the bureaucracy of getting married threatened to put a halt to their urgent plans — Perez could not go to the license bureau or fill out the necessary documents.

Bronx Borough President Fernando Ferrer helped rush the paperwork through, and a magistrate went to the hospital to get

Perez's signature.

Saturday morning, it was difficult for Perez, 22, to speak, and she was under medication, but she smiled a lot as she lay in bed.

A makeup artist applied plum lipstick and brown eye shadow. Abzug stood waiting with a chestnut pageboy wig for Perez, who was gaunt, her long, thin body clad in an intricately beaded, lace dress and fancy white stockings. Her 4-year-old son Kenny climbed around the bed, while 3-month-old Emily was placed in her arms for a kiss.

Her sister, Enid Diaz, was smiling and crying.

The groom waited in the patient lounge, dressed in black tuxedo with gray silk vest, white carnation pinned to one lapel.

"We've been together about a year," Benjamin said.

"I used to work with her sister, and when I'd call Enid, Evelyn would get on the phone, and I started talking to her. It was four months before we met,

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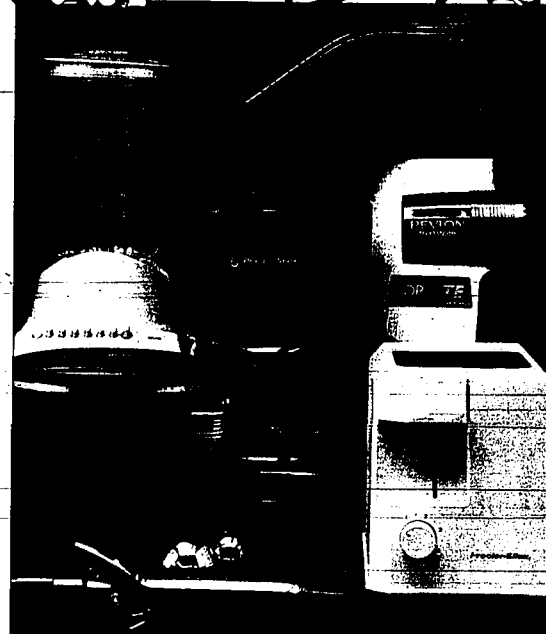
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NATION

# Clinton speaks of personal misery, foreign policy restraint at summit

Chicago Tribune

SEOUL — President Clinton touched his fingers to his heart Saturday and said "there has been a lot of suffering" in his life in the aftermath of the relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

"Suffering ... is different from punishment," he said.

He then bunched his eyebrows in mock anguish, adding, "although it's hard to see the difference sometimes as you're going through it."

Clinton stood next to Korean President Kim Dae Jung, who stared impassively forward, as Clinton continued with what has become known around the White House as his "All-Contribution Tour."



President Bill Clinton looks at his South Korean counterpart Kim Dae Jung Saturday during their joint press conference following their summit meeting at the Blue House presidential palace in Seoul, South Korea.

Clinton has admitted to having had an improper relationship with Lewinsky, to having sinned and repented, but he was asked during a joint press conference whether he deserved punishment such as an apology before Congress.

"For me, this long ago ceased to be a political issue or a legal issue and became a personal one," Clinton answered obliquely.

And every day I do my best to put it right, personally."

"While White House strategists believe that the impeachment hearings in the House of Representatives have gained

*'For me, this long ago ceased to be a political issue or a legal issue and became a personal one.'*

— President Clinton, talking about Lewinsky

the matter in two days.

"I do believe that the long-awaited acknowledgment that there is nothing on which to proceed in the travel issue and the file issue and Whitewater is a positive thing," Clinton went on. "I think surely it will help us to get this over with."

Clinton also implied that those in Congress who wish to impeach him are doing so because of politics and not because they believe it is a constitutional duty.

"I trust the American people and I hope Congress will do the right thing in a nonpolitical way, if you will, to get beyond the partisanship and go on," he said.

## Police to dig for more Gacy victims

CHICAGO (AP) — Police were looking for just one missing boy on the winter day in 1978 when they went to John Wayne Gacy's house.

"But there were bodies under the garage floor, under the concrete, bodies under the basement," recalls prosecutor Colin Simpson.

Investigators have long suspected that they didn't find all of the unrepentant serial killer's victims.

Prompted by new evidence, police plan to begin digging Monday outside a brick apartment building where Gacy's mother once lived on Chicago's Northwest Side.

Ground-penetrating radar suggests there's something under a blacktopped parking lot — possibly a rib cage, tennis shoes, a body, maybe several.

There's no certainty, but experts say that what police find could add to the toll of 33 known victims of the amateur clown and building contractor.

And that could be important to families who have never learned the fate of boys missing at the time.

When the 33 bodies were unearthed, worried parents sent in hundreds of sets of dental records from across the nation to see if they matched any of the remains, said Dr. Edward Pavlik, a forensic dentist who is chief of forensic sciences for the Cook County sheriff's office.

"There were a couple of families who kept sending their records in hopes that they could put closure to their family affair," Pavlik says.

## Woman found guilty in case

CHICAGO (AP) — A black woman was convicted of trying to defraud the United Parcel Service by scrawling racial epithets on packages and sending them to herself and Reps. Jesse Jackson Jr. and Bobby Rush, both Illinois Democrats.

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"The treatment he got was considerably better than the treatment, or the lack of treatment, that he gave my daughter," said Philip D'Angelo, whose family had already settled a lawsuit.

His daughter, Susan Dougherty, died at Strong Memorial Hospital in March 1997, 18 days after delivering a healthy girl.

Mrs. Dougherty, 39, apparently developed an invasive strep

known as necrotizing fasciitis through her Caesarian incision. Her severe pain wasn't recognized quickly enough as a symptom of the disease that rapidly poisons tissue.

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# NATION



In Gates, N.Y., Herbert Roth displays the bell he found in Italy during World War II.

## A BELL FOR ANZIO

### Town seeks return of soldier's memento

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — In the 1944 novel "A Bell for Anzio," John Hersey portrayed the anguish of Italian villagers whose town bell was stolen by fascists just before liberating U.S. troops show up.

That same year, during a protracted Allied offensive near Rome, Army Sgt. Herbert Roth was roving through the Mediterranean village of Anzio when he glimpsed a bronze bell protruding from the rubble of a church.

Just 9 inches tall and 5 inches in diameter, it hardly rivaled the beloved treasure depicted in Hersey's Pulitzer Prize-winning tale. Roth packed it in his jeep and took it home as a memento of the war.

"To me, the bell had a lot of meaning," said Roth, 84, invoking the names of a string of comrades who were among nearly 50,000 soldiers killed at Anzio in one of the most ferocious encounters of

World War II.

Now, 54 years later, a museum in Anzio has somehow learned of the whereabouts of the bell that had been used for maybe half a century to call people into Mass at Saints Pin and Antonio Church.

It is "our wish that the bell be returned," museum custodian Amerigo Salvini said in a recent letter inviting Roth to attend next year's 55th anniversary commemoration of the Anzio battle.

Roth, who is too ill for the trip, said Friday he would be inclined to give the bell back. But there's one snag. He no longer owns it.

After keeping it on a shelf at home for 53 years, he donated the bell last fall to the newly opened Italian American Community Center in Gates, a Rochester suburb. Weakened by two open-heart surgeries, Roth said he had long been anxious to find a spot where his artifact would be properly appreciated.

"I'm in accord with what the community center feels — no way would I ever cross them after they treated me so well," said Roth, who was honored with a lifelong membership.

The community center doesn't want to make any hasty decisions. Its president, Bernie Iacovangelo, said the Anzio Beach Museum seems happy with his idea of displaying the bell there for three months, then accepting a life-size replica.

The real bell, however, might even end up permanently again in Anzio, with the replica adorning the community center, he suggested.

The museum in the seaside resort 38 miles south of Rome says the bell carries historical as well as sentimental value. On its side is the protruding figure of a lion's head, a papal symbol marking the church's founding around 1850, Iacovangelo said.

## Kevorkian may not face charges

DETROIT (AP) — A videotape showing Dr. Jack Kevorkian giving a man a lethal drug dose might not be enough to convict him of assisted suicide, a prosecutor said.

CBS program "60 Minutes" today plans to air portions of a tape Kevorkian gave the network, showing a man's death from an injection administered by the retired pathologist.

Kevorkian told "60 Minutes" that Thomas Youk, who suffered from Lou Gehrig's disease, died Sept. 17 at Youk's suburban Detroit home.

A Michigan law that took effect Sept. 1 makes assisted suicide a felony punishable by five years in prison. But Oakland County prosecutor David Gorceyca said he won't rush to bring charges even if the tape clearly shows Kevorkian injecting Youk.

"In every case, you have to look at the issue of consent," Gorceyca said. "Mr. Youk may have verbally consented to that. That's a factor which will certainly go into a charging decision."

Kevorkian has been acquitted of assisted suicide charges in three trials, and a fourth ended with a mistrial.

Youk, 52, was an avid racer who continued driving even after the disease was diagnosed but recently couldn't even work a clutch, said longtime friend Victor Skirmants. "If it happened to me, I wouldn't want to linger in bed totally dependent," Skirmants said.

Kevorkian has said he has played a role in more than 120 deaths since his assisted suicide campaign began in 1990.



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# A room with a view? Well, not exactly

WASHINGTON (AP) — November had been a pretty good month for John Sweeney. The New York Republican won a seat in Congress, sat on a panel that doled out House committee assignments and ended up with the appointments he wanted.

It was Saturday morning. Sitting expectantly in the Cannon Caucus Room, Sweeney watched as an aide drew chip No. 39 in the lottery to allot office space to first-year Congress members. Being that there were 39 numbers in the box, and given that all of the more senior members had already picked their workspace, Sweeney "won" the worst office in the 435-member House of Representatives.

A groan followed from the congressman-elect and his supporters, but everyone else cheered. At midday, after examining all the available offices, the freshmen reasssembled and made their selections based on their lottery number.

While none came out of the lottery with choice space — they are freshmen, after all — the others knew they had been spared Sweeney's fate. A fourth-floor office, divided by a public restroom, overlooking a courtyard.

Room 437 of the Cannon House Office Building. The worst of the worst.

"When you pick 39th, it's a bad way to start a day," said a chuckling Sweeney, who is replacing retired Rep. Gerald Solomon, R-N.Y. "Because of the way we did in the lottery, we're going to change our parameters a little. We're going to spend most of today working on our staff, instead of looking at offices. We're only going to end up with a leftover."

Congress, like other legislative bodies, is governed by the rules of seniority. Simply put, the more time you're there, the greater the perks. Senior members sit on committees, park close to their offices and work just across the hall from the members' elevators.

House office space is split among three buildings: the Cannon, Longworth and Rayburn buildings. While all are across Independence Avenue from the Capitol, Cannon is coveted for its views, Longworth for its location between the others and Rayburn — the newest addition — for its more modern amenities.



Michael Capuano, currently mayor of Somerville, Mass., and a freshman member of Congress, sits after getting his room assignment Saturday on Capitol Hill.

The House allows each member a minimum of three office rooms, and nearly all are in a suite that includes an office for the member and rooms for a receptionist and staff. The Senate is much the same, but because it has only 100 members spread through its three office buildings, the variety

isn't from best to worst is not as great.

While the incoming House class is among the smallest in years, members will be busy before Congress reconvenes in January.

Funny retiring members must be moved out. Another eight picked in special elections over

the past two years must give up offices they assumed. Veteran congressmen — including a 40th freshman with prior congressional service — got to pick among the vacancies.

The newcomers will be moved into the leftovers.

In all, more than 200 moves.

"Our goal is when you walk in here on Jan. 3, you will have an office that functions," Robert Miley, superintendent of the House office buildings, told the freshmen.

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## WORLD

# The International Space Station

## A triumph of cooperation over competition

The first component of the International Space Station blasted into orbit from a launch pad in Kazakhstan Friday. It was shuttled some 200 miles into space by a Russian rocket where it now awaits the dozens of sister parts needed to complete the station. If all goes as planned, the 16-member nation team will celebrate the first

success in the largest peacetime scientific mission ever, with an estimated price tag of more than \$40 billion. But they won't be able to rest for long. Over the next five years and about 45 more trips, the dozens of pieces needed to complete the enormous, cosmic laboratory will be ferried into space.

### ZARYA: FIRST PIECE IN SPACE

Built by Russia and funded by the United States, the Zarya module is the heart of the project that, in the initial stages, will propel the station and pump energy to the early parts added in later trips.

### ISS: A WORLDWIDE PROJECT

There are 16 nations contributing to the space station. Here are some of the parts that each nation will add to the station:



#### RUSSIA

The Russian Service Module will be docked by remote control with the Zarya component. The Service Module is based on designs of the Mir Space Station's Core Module and it will be the home for the first space station crew.



#### UNITED STATES

In the laboratory module, the United States will conduct experiments in a near-zero gravity. With Unity, or Node-1, comes the electrical and data systems for the craft.



#### CANADA

A robotic hand moving along the truss will help the crew conduct experiments and to assemble or repair the station.



#### EUROPE

The laboratory will be used to conduct some 500 experiments.



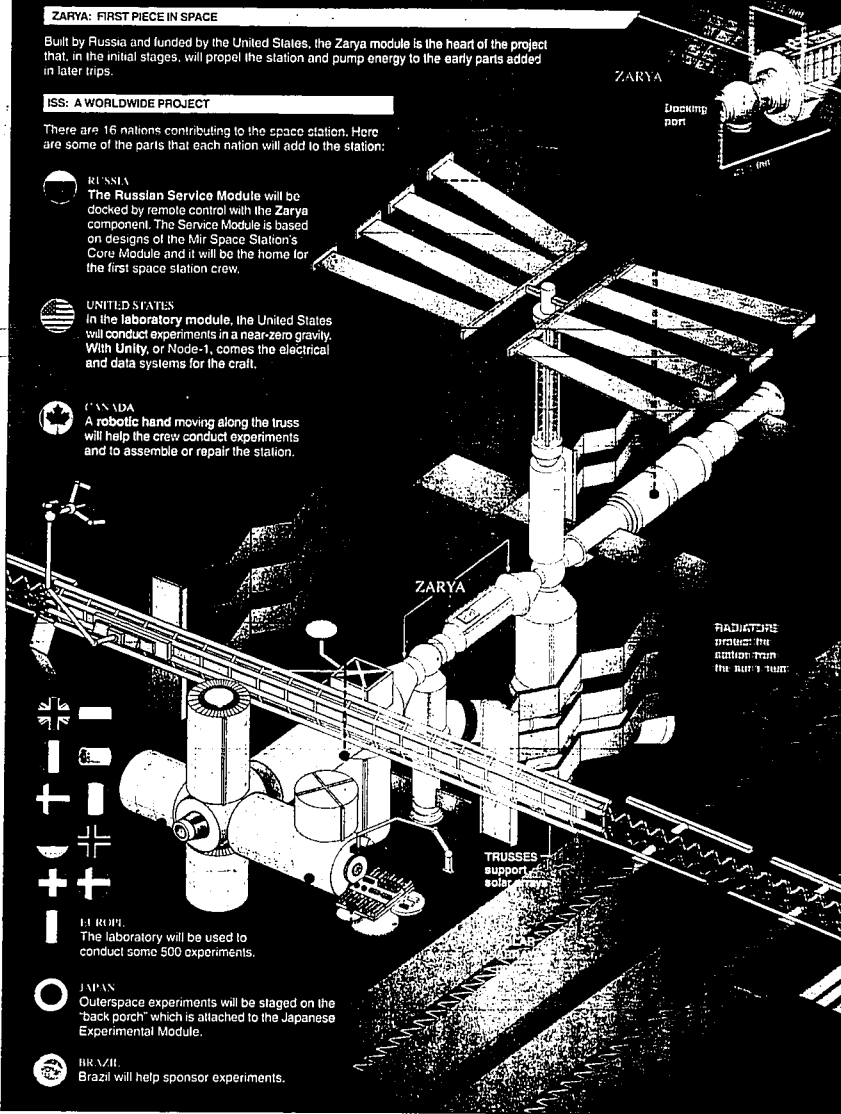
#### JAPAN

Outerspace experiments will be staged on the "back porch" which is attached to the Japanese Experimental Module.



#### BRAZIL

Brazil will help sponsor experiments.



### ADDING THE OTHER PIECES

It will require dozens of trips into space to link the space station's parts together. When it is completed, it will weigh 500 tons and be one of the brightest man-made objects in the sky. A look at the major stages of development:

#### 1998 to mid-1999

The Russian Service Module, the first Russian-built and Russian-financed component is launched.

First U.S.-built component, Unity, or Node-1, is launched in December 1998.

#### Early 2000

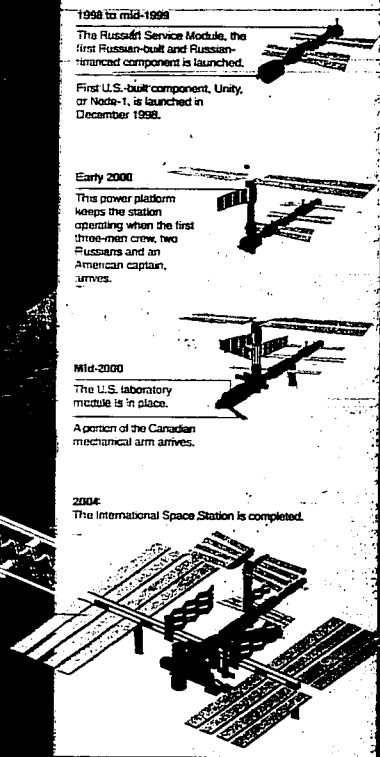
This power platform keeps the station operating when the first three-man crew, two Russians and an American captain, arrives.

#### Mid-2000

The U.S. laboratory module is in place. A portion of the Canadian mechanical arm arrives.

#### 2004

The International Space Station is completed.



## Russia maneuvers 'Zarya' module into higher orbit

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian space officials gave the first module of the international space station a routine tweak Saturday to push it into higher orbit, and convened a meeting on Earth to map out its future.

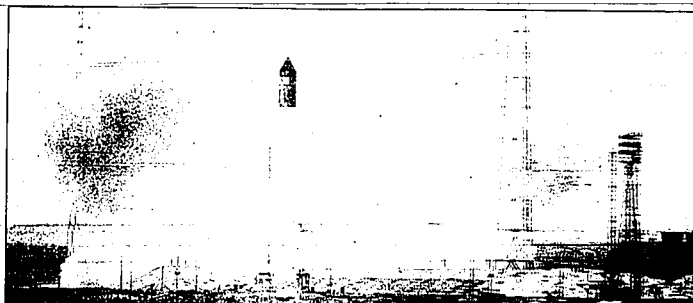
Flight controllers fired one of the module's two maneuvering engines to raise it to an orbit about 157 miles in space, the station's public affairs office said.

Russian Space Agency general director Yuri Koptev told reporters the maneuver was carried out "with great accuracy," and the 24-ton core module was cruising through space without any problems.

The module, called Zarya, or Sunrise, lifted off Friday from the Baikonur launch pad in Kazakhstan into an initial orbit 125 miles above Earth.

Zarya is to serve as a space tugboat in the early stages of the international project, providing propulsion, power and communications. It will fly alone for two weeks before a rendezvous with the American space shuttle Endeavour, which is to be launched Dec. 3 carrying the Unity connecting module.

The international space station is a U.S.-led successor to Russia's Mir space station, and is being heralded by space officials as the vehicle for unprecedented



The 24-ton Zarya control and cargo module, designed to serve as a space tugboat in the early stages of the international space station project, was launched Friday atop the Russian booster rocket, Proton, from the Baikonur rocket base in Kazakhstan.

international cooperation in space in the 21st century.

The heads of the space agencies of the

United States, Russia, Japan and Canada, along with the European Space Agency, met in Moscow on Saturday to discuss the

project, the Interim News Agency reported.

The space agency leaders agreed on a

schedule for future meetings and said they planned to hold a scientific conference on the project somewhere in Europe, at an unspecified date.

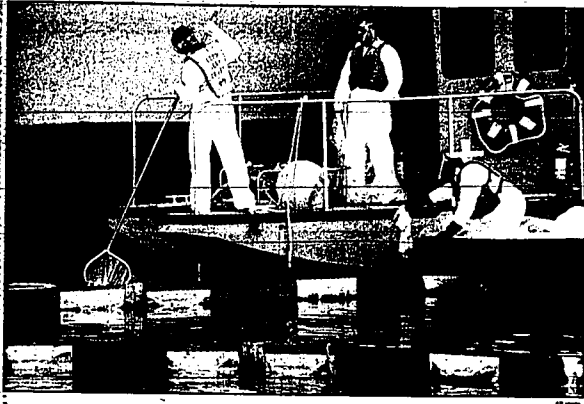
Also Saturday, the head of Russia's Mission Control, Vladimir Lobachev, was quoted as saying that Russia will take the lead role in managing the international space station during its first five years.

Previously, space officials have said the station would be jointly controlled from Moscow and Houston, with NASA taking a lead role.

According to Interfax, Lobachev said it made sense for Russia to control the project because the Russian-built Zarya and a Russian-built service module would perform most of the life support and navigational functions for the station's first five years.

"Furthermore, Russian engineers are more experienced in this job and NASA officials are aware of this," he said.

The space station is expected to cost at least \$40 billion, of which the United States is expected to pay \$24 billion. Russia's financing problems delayed the initial launch by a year, and some critics have said the station amounts to an expensive way for NASA to keep Russia's beleaguered space program alive.



U.S. Navy sailors in hazardous material suits clean up a 600-gallon fuel spill Sept. 18 alongside the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy at Mayport Navy Base near Jacksonville, Fla.

## Spill

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reason we are so good at responding to spills is that we have been getting a lot of practice."

Officials in some states are concerned because there is little outside policing of Navy spill response. Under federal law, commercial vessels, from fishing boats to super tankers, must clean up spills or risk Coast Guard fines. They can be inspected at any time. Navy ships are exempt.

At 12:55 p.m. on a rainy Sept. 18, the Navy's prevention mechanism failed again. This time it was the USS John F. Kennedy, an aircraft carrier moored in Mayport, which is near Jacksonville, Fla. The ship was transferring diesel fuel from one onboard tank to another. A stuck valve misdirected fuel flow. The whiskey-brown liquid poured over the side.

The pier was soon swarming with sailors in white hazardous-material suits. Emergency vehicles, lights flashing, stood by. Within several hours, the 500-gallon spill was almost clear — with as much fuel out of the water as the Navy could retrieve.

Just one day before, the ship's captain had spoken to a reporter about spill prevention. "We do backflips to try to prevent it," said Capt. Robin Weber. "I would say we've done an extraordinarily good job."

Steve Hunter, supervisor for the Washington State Department of Ecology's office of spill response, says he's heard one common refrain from the sailors and officers of the nuclear-powered carrier USS Carl Vinson, which has spilled 3,584 gallons in eight years.

"50s technology for the '90s." Aboard the older, non-nuclear Kennedy, which was commissioned in 1968, fuel is routed to 213 tanks by turning heavy, steering-wheel like valves. The valves, 762 in all, are scattered about the ship, which is 23 stories high, keel to mast, and three football fields long. Fueling operations must be carefully choreographed events.

The size and complexity of carriers, like the Kennedy, make them the messiest class of ships

in the service, responsible for 41,158 gallons of port spillage from fiscal 1990 to '97.

"There's just a lot more opportunity to make a mistake," said Capt. Donald Lewis, the Coast Guard's captain of port in Jacksonville.



Donna Fry, president of Surfers Tired of Pollution (STOP), shows her surfboard on a deck overlooking the Pacific Ocean in the Mission Beach area of San Diego Sept. 22. The group is battling the U.S. Navy over oil spills polluting the local waters.

In contrast, hulking commercial tankers do little with their millions of gallons of oil beyond loading it on and pumping it off. Civilian tankers of roughly the same gross tonnage as U.S. carriers spilled far less — all together, 757 gallons — in U.S. waters than the Kennedy (4,000 gallons), the Carl Vinson and their sister ships. There were 33 such tanker spills in fiscal 1990-97.

When tankers do spill, though, they can spill big. Usually, the cause is a grounding or collision. With major spills factored in, the average spill size for all tankers in U.S. waters came to 1,378 gallons during the 1990 to '97 period, according to Coast Guard data. The average Navy port spill was 129 gallons.

Nationwide, Navy spillage increased from 17,370 gallons in

fiscal 1990 to 66,404 in '97. The service says improved record-keeping may make the situation look worse than it really is.

One Navy solution is shipboard procedures. For example, the Kennedy's captain, Weber, has a rule that the carrier never fuel at night, when a spill would be hard to spot. A second requirement is that he personally approve all the valve settings before the ship takes on fuel in port.

Also, the Navy is looking to new technology. The USS Carney, one of the Navy's sleek, new destroyers, can monitor fueling from a single room below decks. Electronic monitors immediately tell sailors which tanks are filled. Getting information fast is critical.

Accountability, critics say, remains an issue.

An April 15 incident in Puget Sound illustrates the point. When a 500-gallon spill by the Carl Vinson was reported, Paul O'Brien, Northwest regional spill control supervisor for Washington's Department of Ecology, fully expected his team would be allowed aboard to inspect.

"We were denied access," O'Brien recalled. "I was shocked."

The Navy said it was concerned the local officials would get in the way. About a week later, they were allowed aboard. Meanwhile, Coast Guard investigators were let on board, but then asked to leave before they could conclude their work.

"When the Navy spills oil, there isn't much we can do about it," O'Brien said. "We have to depend on the Navy to police itself."

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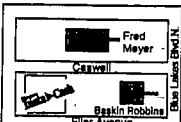
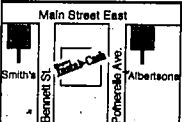
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## WORLD

## Korean issue tests Clinton's resolve

By Jim Mann  
Los Angeles Times

SEOUL, South Korea — Throughout the past few days in Asia, President Clinton has been struggling to prevent North Korea from turning into the top global crisis for his administration next year.

The president has tried to work out a united front with Japan and South Korea, the two countries he is visiting. He hopes that the three allies, together, can persuade North Korea to stop firing missiles around the region, as well as prevent it from developing nuclear weapons.

Clinton has held out to North Korea the prospect of future economic rewards. The president has even avoided irritating Pyongyang by forgoing a trip to the demilitarized zone, or DMZ, where Clinton eagerly posed for pictures when he came here in 1993.

On his current trip, the president has at times sounded almost plaintive as he has sought to preserve his 4-year-old policy of engagement with Pyongyang, and to avoid having to come up with a newer, tougher approach.

"I do not want to change policy," Clinton declared at a news conference here Saturday. "And I hope that the North Koreans will not do anything to force us to change policy."

But change is in the air. Congress balked this fall at providing the funds the administration needs to carry out its North Korea policy. It eventually went along, but only after setting tough conditions that must be met in 1999 for any further appropriations.

The administration's policy is based largely upon a deal worked out in 1994 between U.S. and North Korean officials.

The Clinton administration agreed then to arrange for North Korea to obtain civilian nuclear reactors and other energy supplies in exchange for closing down nuclear-weapons facilities that were ready to produce plutonium.

That accord remains in effect, and over the past few days, Clinton and his top aides have



A group of human rights activists stages an anti-U.S. rally in Seoul's major commercial area, Myeong-dong, Saturday, coinciding with President Clinton's visit to the city.

taken pains to say often that it has succeeded.

"We are convinced that without the agreement ... North Korea already would have produced a sizeable amount of weapons-grade plutonium," the president said.

The problem for Clinton is that the agreement does not cover or have any answers for the problems that have cropped up with North Korea in the past six months.

\* In August, North Korea fired a newly developed missile across

Japanese airspace. Japanese Prime Minister Keizo Obuchi told Clinton last week that the missile-firing "was a very shocking experience for us." Yet U.S. officials acknowledge that there is nothing in the 1994 deal that forbids North Korea from developing or testing its missiles.

\* Also last summer, the administration informed Congress that U.S. intelligence had found a suspicious underground construction

project that might be the start of a new nuclear-weapons installation. The United States wants to inspect this site.

However, U.S. National Security Council aide Jack Pritchard acknowledged in a Tokyo briefing that the 1994 deal does not have any provision specifically giving the United States the power to inspect the site. And North Korea recently demanded \$300 million to allow such an inspection, a request the Clinton administration turned down, saying it was tantamount to extortion.

All of these new problems have prompted critics in Washington — not just members of Congress, but quite a few foreign-policy specialists — to question the administration's wisdom in continuing to rely so heavily on the 1994 deal.

"Both that deal and U.S. policy seem to be unraveling, and another foreign-policy crisis looms," former U.S. Undersecretary of State Arnold Kanter asserted earlier this month. "If, despite the (1994 deal), North Korea poses a continuing and growing threat to U.S. interests, then the 'agreed framework' either is inadequate or has failed. A better question is whether and how it can be revised ... or whether a different approach is more likely to be successful."

While in Asia, Clinton and his top aides repeatedly have sought to send a message to North Korea: Its leaders are coming to a point where they must make a choice about how they want to deal with the United States and its allies.

"North Korea is now at a crossroads," National Security Adviser Samuel R. "Sandy" Berger said here Saturday. "They can choose a path of reconciliation or a path of confrontation."

However, it is far from certain that the Pyongyang regime will opt for either one of these two options.

North Korea's past behavior shows that it is remarkably skillful at blending both approaches. It often goes to the brink, challenges, pulls back in exchange for benefits, and then later confronts once again.

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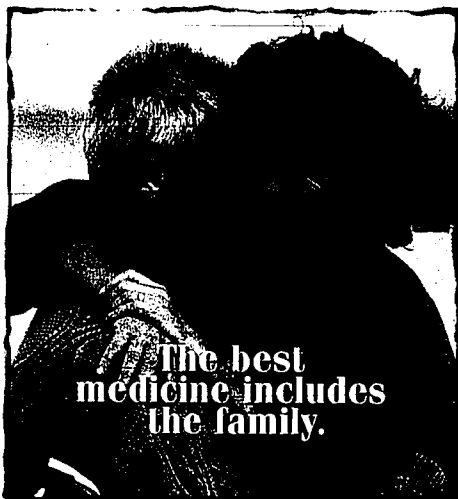
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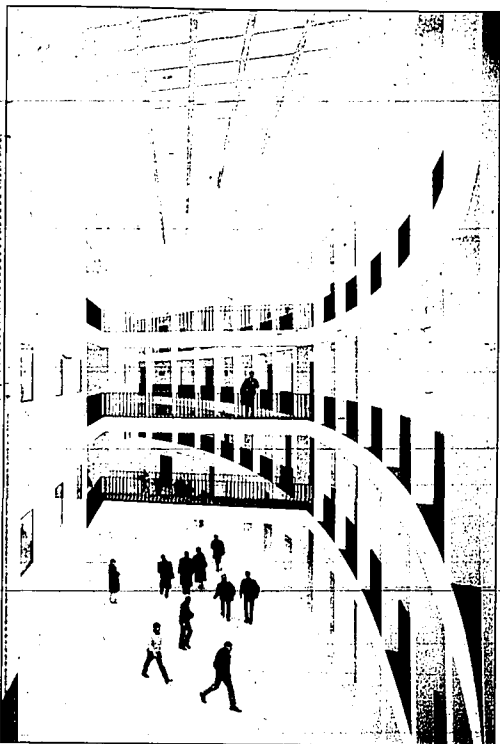
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## Return to Berlin

Germans begin historic move of government back to former capital

BONN, Germany (AP) — Dull. Rainy. A bureaucrats' village.

This sleepy university town on the Rhine River has endured 50 years of put-downs. Still, the government has gotten cozy since moving here after the Nazi defeat in World War II. So cozy that it's taken nearly a decade to get serious about returning to bustling Berlin, Germany's historic capital.

Now, moving trucks have finally loaded up and the first government agency is taking the plunge, closing down for good in Bonn and shifting to a new home 375 miles to the east.

For the 150 staffers of President Roman Herzog, Germany's largely ceremonial head of state, it means swapping a set of boxy postwar office buildings on the Rhine for a brand-new Berlin workplace, a bold, polished black stone structure that officially opens for business Monday.

It's a prelude to the full-fledged arrival of the federal government next fall. Chancellor Gerhard Schröder, government ministers and lawmakers will set up shop, often in temporary quarters, to officially launch what is being called the "Berlin Republic."

Getting there has been a slow process since the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989 ended the city's Cold War division, setting in motion the merger of east and west

Germany the following year.

After parliament narrowly voted in 1991 to restore Berlin as capital of the united Germany, many politicians resisted the idea of returning to what was the Nazis' seat of power. Building delays, cost problems, compensation demands by Bonn and the old worker strike have added to the chaos.

Even lavish government inducements — housing allowances, free travel for officials who keep a Bonn residence, money for private lessons to help children switch schools — haven't quieted all the grumbles.

"We're curious about Berlin and we are going with a positive attitude," said Ulf Bauer, a presidential spokesman. "Of course, it's not all smiles. We're leaving behind a piece of home."

But Schröder, Germany's first chancellor with no personal memory of World War II, has given the move new urgency since taking office last month. Starting next week, he will hold part of his Cabinet meetings in Berlin.

To Schröder, 54, Germany is mature enough to handle the return to Berlin without being crushed by the ghosts of the past, even if some of his ministers are moving into buildings where Adolf Hitler's henchmen once plotted war.

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## WORLD

## In Mitch's wake: 1 family's nightmare

Los Angeles Times

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Their move was part of a long tradition of migration: Like most families on Guanaja, the McLaughlins are descended from the Irish and British seafarers who made their way here, often through the Cayman Islands or other British colonies.

The pilgrimages continued even after Guanaja and the other main Bay Islands — Roatan and Ulu — were ceded to Honduras by Britain in 1860. After that, Hondurans from the mainland also began to settle in Guanaja, especially in Savanna. Right. Still, the old family names and the tradition of speaking Caribbean English at home continued, even though school is taught in Spanish.

Alson McLaughlin supported his growing family by selling the catch in the village. Florentina helped by grating and rendering coconut to make oil for sale.

Four years ago, with their three children grown, the McLaughlins had their bonus baby, Lila Adelina, named for her grandmothers. "What a blessing," said McLaughlin, 62. "I cry when I think how nice she comforted me when Florentina died in the storm."

*"I had her by the hand, ready to run to our lives, and she said, 'Don't!'"*

— Alson McLaughlin, speaking of the moment his wife was killed by Hurricane Mitch's onslaught

built on high stilts, and when that structure began to sway they ran again.

As Armando and Lila ran, a plank hit McLaughlin on the head. He hesitated. In that instant, the house crashed down. "I had her by the hand, ready to run for our lives, and she found death," McLaughlin said, weeping.

He remembers little about the next two days. The physical pain of a dislocated collarbone, twisted ribs and cracked skull. And the emotional pain of losing his life partner.

On Thursday, Mitch finally moved on. The 2,000 residents of Savanna built emergency to find only 36 houses where 436 had stood. And Miss Florentina's sons and brothers-in-law began the long task of retrieving her bruised body. It was nightfall before they could put her in a simple plywood coffin and bury her.



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## Rampant floods kill 16 in Vietnam

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Tropical Storm Dawn dumped up to 14 inches of rain on central Vietnam, submerging large swaths of land and flooding thousands of houses, local officials said Saturday. At least 16 people have died.

The death toll was expected to rise as more reports filtered in from the third bout of serious flooding to hit the region in a

month, officials said. The storm on Thursday and Friday also cut off roads and communications to many villages. No damage estimates were available. Last month, flooding killed 52 people in central Vietnam and caused damage estimated at \$13.7 million. A second round of flooding in the region killed 37 people on Nov. 13-14 and caused \$7.4 million in damage.



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Galina Starovoi, here with her husband, Andrei Volkov, Oct. 10 in Moscow, and one of the most prominent women members of the Duma, was shot to death in the entrance of an apartment building in St. Petersburg, Friday.

## Russian liberal's killing focuses on political motive

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia (AP) — Hundreds of people gathered Saturday to mourn one of Russia's most prominent women, a potential presidential candidate whose killing was widely believed to be politically motivated.

*"Whose path did she cross? The answer is simple: Communists and gangsters."*

— Anatoly Chubais, former Deputy Prime Minister

"Whose path did she cross? The answer is simple: Communists and gangsters," said former Deputy Prime Minister Anatoly Chubais. "These are the two kinds of people in whose way she was standing."

Putin, whose agency is in charge of the investigation, cautioned that there was still no evidence that her death was a political assassination.

Interior Minister Sergei Stepashin did not speculate about the motive for the crime, but told reporters that

it was being investigated under a criminal code that covers terrorism.

More than 200 people gathered in St. Petersburg's Palace Square to remember Starovoi. People hugged as they listened to speeches by her fellow politicians and friends.

The small stage was adorned with red roses, yellow carnations and photographs of the deputy with various people, including the late Russian physicist and dissident, Andrei Sakharov.

"We are united today by pain, which is bigger than politics," said Viktor Kervin, a poet and candidate for the regional legislature. "Politics, as I felt during the past night, has become the art of spitting on the soul."

Others at the gathering said they were sure that Starovoi was killed by those who disliked her outspoken views.

"She had too many enemies," said Galina Markelova, an aide to the lawmaker.

## Moscow officials fail to approve budget draft

MOSCOW (AP) — Top Russian government officials failed Saturday to reach terms on a 1999 budget intended to lead the country out of its worst economic crisis since the Soviet collapse.

"More work is needed," Economics Minister Andrei Shapovalov said after a four-hour meeting of key government ministers.

The ministers considered three alternate plans, but ultimately rejected them all and called for more revisions, including changes on external debt servicing and tax reform.

After the meeting, Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov met with a delegation of International Monetary Fund officials to discuss

the country's economic situation, the Interfax news agency said.

First Deputy Prime Minister Yuri Maslakov had said earlier that Russia would ask the IMF for new terms on repaying the \$4.6 billion due to the lending organization next year.

New IMF loans to Russia have been on hold since August. The IMF has insisted it will not release any more money until the government develops a comprehensive plan to combat the economic crisis and starts implementing it.

But government officials said they might not be able to adopt a budget until they determine whether foreign creditors can be persuaded to restructure at least

a portion of \$17 billion in debt payments due in 1999.

"Only when we know how much we will have to pay on our external debts will we be able to set our fiscal policy," Shapovalov said.

payables said. "The government hopes to complete drafting its 1999 budget by Dec. 1, but it will require more details on the planned tax reform for next year," Shapovalov said.

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## EDITORIAL

### Learn facts before rushing to build alternate route

Whoa there, Silver! The Idaho Transportation Department is in danger of galloping off a cliff as it chases a \$13 million carrot on a stick. Specifically, the department is rushing to spend federal money on an alternate route between the Perrine Bridge and the new highway interchange west of Filer.

Uncle Sam is offering to kick in \$13 million and the Transportation Department—fire up the bulldozers!—wants to start spending that money around.

Truth is, there's no need to hurry, because the money will be available for years to come. It won't be jeopardized by waiting—and there's a darned good reason to wait.

The Transportation Department recently agreed to a one-year, \$100,000 analysis of where to locate a "third crossing" over the Snake River Canyon. The study area is between the Hansen Bridge and Clear Lakes Grade, but even the cloudiest crystal ball points to a site somewhere between the Perrine Bridge and Clear Lakes Grade.

Choosing the best spot for a bridge isn't the same as building one, and no money is available for a project that would cost the better part of \$300 million. Even so, it would be folly to build an entirely new route from Filer to the Perrine Bridge—only to discover it bypasses the eventual site of a new bridge.

Building that new route probably would be a mistake because there are two routes already: Perrine Road and state Highway 30 to Blue Lakes Boulevard. Both are slated for improvement in the near future.

Yet another route along cross-country—through farm fields and over a new bridge spanning Rock Creek—would be wasted when Perrine Road is a hot and a hotter away.

A decision on which alternate route to follow is expected in March. If the Transportation Department insists on choosing before the bridge study is complete, we suggest that widening and improving Perrine Road is by far the better option.

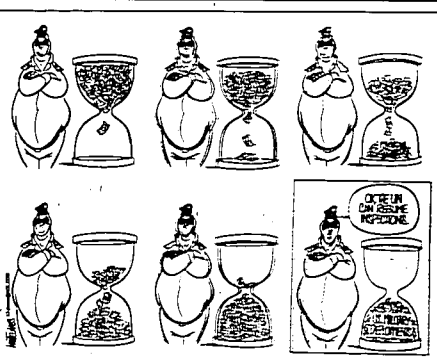
Bridge studies consider traffic already on widening it won't open a Pandora's Box of complications. It probably can be upgraded more cheaply than a new route can be built. Perrine Road already has a bridge, across Rock Creek—which is not a trivial canon to span.

Finally, we have a suggestion for two newly elected leaders:

- Gov-elect Dirk Kempthorne shouldn't be too quick to give his blessing to any alternate route, even though he fought for funding in the U.S. Senate.
- Rep-elect Leon Smith, who still runs the state Transportation Board, should apply his influence to rein in the department until the results of the bridge study are known.

**Got an opinion?**  
A meeting on the alternate route proposal will be held at 7 a.m. Tuesday in the Community Room at television station KXWT, 2350 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

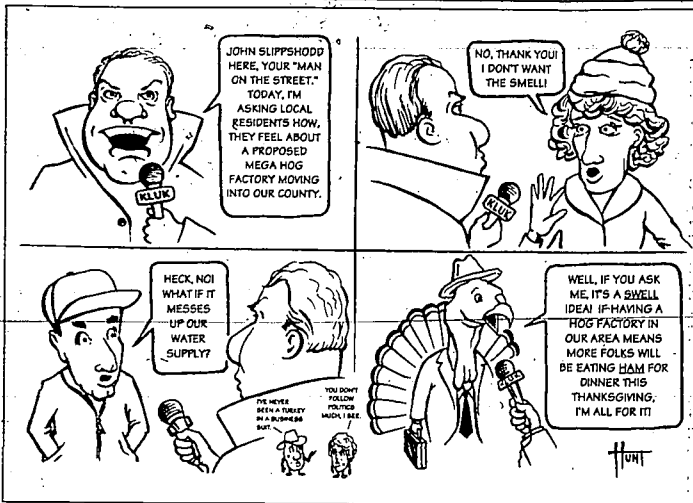
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## LETTERS

**Website keeps woman linked to IT.**  
Just wanted to commend you folks for a wonderful Internet site. I live in Colorado, but my heart is really in the Magic Valley. My mother (Toni Frazier), grandmother (Evelyn Holloway Frazier) and grandfather ("Bud" Frazier) are all from the Magic Valley. Grandpa and Grandma came to Idaho in 1913.  
They have all passed on, and I don't have the opportunity to come and visit like I used to. I really miss my trips up to Idaho.  
The Times-News Online is a very well-designed website. I live near Colorado Springs, with a population of more than 500,000. Your online newspaper site is easier to navigate and is designed much better than the Colorado Springs online paper.  
I have particularly enjoyed your food pages and all the recipes for Thanksgiving—the paper in Colorado has nothing like that.  
Thank you for providing such a wonderful means with which I come "visit" Twin Falls. My husband and I are considering retiring in the Magic Valley. Your online paper will provide a means of keeping up with important local news and events.  
Thanks again to all those who make your online paper so easy to navigate and a joy to read! Happy holidays!  
CAROLE RHODUS  
Black Forest, Colo.

**GOP has missed its wake-up call.**  
I think it is about time for the Republican Party to wake up and realize it has missed its wake-up call.  
This impeachment hearing, I prefer with Hunt, has already discredited the GOP more than it is ever going to set back the Democrats. Check the results of the latest election if you have any doubts. The American public has had it.  
Republican leaders are more concerned with getting rid of Bill Clinton than they are with running the country.  
Now, I will go on record as saying that I am probably sick Willie's least favorite. I never voted for him in either the presidential election and wouldn't vote for him if he were allowed to run two more times.  
He has single-handedly taken the office of the president of the United States and wrapped it of every trace of dignity. He has made a laughing stock of the United States political system and thrown our nation's family values into the sewer.  
All this while, he is still the people's choice. He has been elected and re-elected.  
According to some polls, his popularity is at an all-time high, so just maybe we should back off and, just this once, put the word of the country before party politics.  
DALE FELTMAN  
Jackpot, Nev.



## Big tobacco craves deal with state AGs

**C. EVERETT KOOP AND DAVID KESSLER**  
Big Tobacco once again has met with several state attorneys general behind closed doors. The public, especially public health experts, once again was specifically excluded from complicated negotiations. The public once again has been presented with the details of a proposed tobacco "settlement." And we are expected to believe that the tobacco industry is not once again up to its old tricks?  
After failing to buy special protections from Congress, Big Tobacco is back to courting the attorneys general. Believing that anyone will sell his virtue if the price is right, the highly profitable tobacco industry is offering several states billions of dollars to gain protection and privileges that no honest business would be granted. Big tobacco is desperate for a deal, but why?  
The tobacco industry wants to limit the public's knowledge of its chicanery. Each lawsuit that actually goes to trial means that more secret documents become public, shedding more light on what this greedy, lying industry does to the nation's health. In addition, the industry knows that when increasingly incriminating information becomes part of the public domain, other states' chances of getting more money become better. Any attorney's general who decides to reject the settlement and push on with their cases in court are likely to not only recoup more of their state's money but also make more of Big tobacco's misdeeds public.  
We wonder why no one stops to think about why Big Tobacco has so much money.

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The desire of all negotiating parties for complete secrecy is a clear sign that the public will suffer substantial losses in the terms, just as it would have under the June 20, 1997, terms. Imagine the public and media outrage if Congress suddenly decided that all legislative hearings were now to be conducted in secret. The industry wants to surprise the public with only one day of headlines so that a complete, thoughtful, and sound review is not feasible. Apparently, the negotiating parties are going to ignore state Administrative Procedures Acts requiring public review and comment of usually at least 30 to 60 days before adoption of major policies. The blinding amount of money offered, even though it represents not even half of what is needed for just compensation, is supposed to hide this obligation.  
The parties involved made a deal without public review of compromises that the attorneys general as elected officials made for the citizens of their state. And those attorneys general who have not al-

ready signed on have only a matter of days to make this decision, a deadline imposed by the tobacco industry because it knows that if there is proper public inspection and debate on the settlement the public will be outraged.  
And what is the industry proposing? Cents on the dollar, compared with states that settled their cases individually by no provision for federal regulation of an addictive drug; stunningly weak restrictions on advertising; increased roadblocks to the federal government to increase cigarette taxes; improper immunity for an industry that still has not admitted its misdeeds.  
Big Tobacco should not be protected from suits by aggrieved individual citizens, groups and organizations. Full disclosure must continue.  
Some have called this a "milestone" in the war against tobacco, implying that Congress will take up the issue again. But this agreement would in fact mark one of the last miles in this long war. The settlement sends a signal to Congress that the states accept the industry's group settlement as acceptable punishment, thereby stunting further federal legislation and the more states stand the settlement, the stronger that destructive signal will be.  
Any attorney general who buys into the industry's lies is changing the health of Americans for the worse. This settlement might be quick, but it is no fix.  
C. Everett Koop was surgeon general of the United States from 1981 to 1989. David Kessler was commissioner of the Food and Drug Administration from 1990 to 1997.

## A few good marines can teach U.S. a lesson

**GEORGE F. WILL**  
MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT, SAN DIEGO — The 9 p.m. darkness resounds with shouted cadences.  
Freshly minted Marines marching to meet family and friends at the end of the 12-week basic training. Up Interstate 5, at Camp Pendleton, seasoned Marines, many of whom passed through this depot, are getting gear together for possible flights to the Persian Gulf.  
New Marines may not yet understand what America's experienced service men and women know. Occasional crises are fleeting reminders to civilians of the reasons for having military services. The rest of the time, many Americans think of the services only when worrying about any they are so, well, different—so disconcertingly military.  
It is said that the past is another country. Increasingly, America's military is, too, because the services—the Marines especially—are rigorous incubators of values and lingering echoes of a receding American past, before rigor went out of fashion.  
There is indeed a widening gap between civilian and military cultures. And as more and more military jobs become more technical, a culture gap is opening within the services, a gap between those whose jobs are just jobs, and those whose are warriors. In a survey of Army personnel, 32 percent of men and 55 percent of women did not agree that the Army's primary focus should be on warfighting.  
There should be a gap between civilian and military cultures, especially in a democracy. That widening gap should be narrowed somewhat, but not by permeating the military with the civilian culture's values.  
Nowadays much is said about the need to "close" the gap and "reconnect" those cultures. Former Navy Secretary John Dalton says, "As American society

changes, the Naval service changes with it. That's not bad. That's the way it's supposed to be." Sen. John McCain—no one has more standing to speak on the subject than this Annapolis graduate, aviator and heroic Vietnam War POW—says, "It's a fundamental principle that armed services can truly serve a democracy only if they are a reflection of that society and are impacted by the same social trends."  
To which one must respectfully respond: Not really.  
Senior Marines here, whose mission is to make Marines, know that the phrase "volunteer military" is a misnomer. America's military has been recruited. Recruiting one Marine often involves more than 12 arduous months of interviews with the prospect and his or her parents; and approximately 500 telephone calls.  
After which, and after intensive pre-induction mental and physical preparation, about 14 percent of recruits will fail to make it to "the crucible." That is the arduous 11th week of basic training, where stress, fatigue and hunger that the recruits' assimilation of the first 10 weeks of Marine training in values as well as warfighting.  
Drill instructors always have been brutal Old Testament gods to recruits, but now DIs also are, in too many cases, essentially the first fathers in the recruits' lives. So, "reflect" society? Basic training must correct consequences of contemporary society's defects. Basic training administrators a crash course in honorable behavior—instruction that

should be performed, throughout childhood and adolescence, by families, schools and religious institutions.  
Reflect society? Remember George Orwell's unminced words: "We sleep safely in our beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence on those who would do us harm."  
Rough, yes, but also polished, disciplined professionals, who became that by shedding, under the scolding rise of basic training, much of what contemporary society inculcates—materialism, sullen resentment of hierarchy, the language of victimization pushed by grievance, crowd, the litigiousness of rights-based politics, and celebration of "self-expression," however unworthy the self being expressed.  
Some worriers about the gap between civilian and military cultures worry especially about this: The young Marines who are marching this night to meet their parents (who in some cases will not recognize the slumped, hardened and upright warrior of the children they know three months ago), have, regarding civilian society, a sense of moral superiority. However, instead of trying to disabuse the young Marines of the pride they have earned, civilian society, if it thinks the gap between it and its military is too wide, might try moving toward the military.  
John Hillen of the Council on Foreign Relations says those who regret the gap between the military and civilian cultures should remember that civilian society sees nothing amiss in a magazine article headlined "The Ten Commandments: What They Mean Now." Make the military "reflect" society and you may revive the Army's accommodationist slogan of a few years ago, "The Army Wants to Join You!"  
Good grief. Don't sleep too soundly.  
George F. Will is a Washington Post columnist.



## WORLD Leader launches inquiry

Former Indonesian president Suharto comes under fire

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — After days of bloody student protests, Indonesian President B.J. Habibie on Saturday ordered a new corruption inquiry into his authoritarian predecessor and former mentor.

The decision to appoint a commission to investigate Suharto's wealth came precisely six months after Habibie replaced the 77-year-old former autocrat on May 21 as head of state following deadly riots and protests.

An earlier inquiry found no wrongdoing by Suharto and has been branded a sham by critics. A government spokesman said the new inquiry would be based on "credibility and integrity."

A renewed wave of civil unrest during the past nine days has left as many as 16 people dead, including eight students who were shot by troops in street battles in downtown Jakarta, the capital.

The students are demanding greater democracy, and want Suharto to be put on trial for alleged corruption during his 32 years in power.

For days, crowds of protesters chanting "Hang Suharto!" have been blocked by troops from marching on the former leader's home, where he has remained a virtual recluse since he quit.

About 200 students staged a protest near the residence Saturday.

In a separate incident, thousands of villagers rioted in Pinrang, a coastal town 855 miles northeast of Jakarta, after finding out that they could not withdraw savings from an outlawed bank. Six villagers and many security personnel were injured in Friday's unrest, the Antara news agency said.

Many Indonesians resent the wealth of the Suharto clan. And their anger has grown as poverty and unemployment have climbed during the country's worst economic crisis in a generation.

Analysts and international financial institutions say corruption was a major contributor to the economic meltdown.

State Secretary Akbar Tanjung told reporters the commission would "examine and investigate the wealth of former President Suharto."

Members of the commission have not yet been appointed. However, they would have "credibility and high integrity," Akbar said.

Akbar said Habibie ordered the formation of the commission after a four-hour meeting with some of his Cabinet ministers, including armed forces commander Gen. Wiranto, who has been blamed by many for the recent bloodshed.

Both Habibie and Wiranto are former protégés of Suharto and owe their careers to him.

## Malaysian police disperse anti-government protesters

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Armed with shields, clubs and a water cannon, riot police Saturday broke up an anti-government protest, one of several throughout Malaysia since the ouster of popular former Deputy Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim.

Several of the protesters were arrested, after hundreds of police wearing helmets moved into the central Kuala Lumpur neighborhood, eyewitnesses

said. The protesters refused to heed warnings to disperse.

Anwar, a popular reformer, is facing trial on charges of abuse of office and illegal sex acts. He has denied the charges, saying they were politically motivated.

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## French train workers extend strike to 12 days

PARIS (AP) — Two days ahead of a Europe-wide rail strike, train traffic remained disrupted Saturday in parts of southern France, where workers extended their walkout for a 12th day.

Meanwhile, French train conductors' unions have called a nationwide strike for Friday, saying they lack sufficient staff.

Strikes frequently disrupt rail traffic across France. In late 1995, train workers brought the country to a near standstill over a government plan to reduce benefits.

Train traffic across France was expected to slow Sunday evening before coming to a standstill Monday, as railway workers in six European countries protest liberalization plans.

The other countries affected are Spain, Belgium, Portugal, Greece and Luxembourg. Unions will hand out leaflets to commuters in Germany, Britain, Austria and the Netherlands in bid to stop plans to further privatize the sector.

On Saturday, only one of five local lines was running in the Marseille region in southern France. Workers were demanding that the national rail company hire 30 more train conductors by the end of the year.

## There'll be some changes made today

I'd like you to consider the premise that all of the qualities we believe matter most in marriage - compromise, communication, mothers-in-law who live far away - don't amount to a hill of beans.

Now here this morning to suggest that the real crucible of modern matrimony is the TV clicker. In your heart, you know I'm right - because in your heart only you know where you hid the remote control from your hairy, porcelaine spouse. (I'm speaking to your wives here, fellas).

We have two in our house (spouse and clickers), and they are the source of the closest my wife and I come these days to blood-feud.

This is because, being a guy, I surf. Not being a guy, my wife naps.

Now this nesting can consist of watching a test-pattern for 4 1/2 hours if the spirit moves her to do so.

That's a little silly, you ask me. After all, we've got 52 channels and they don't all show the same thing.

So why not throw caution to the wind and see whether there's something else out besides "Martha Stewart's Great Apricot-Drying Tip?"

The issue arises more particularly when I come home in the evening of my wife's days off, and she's watching the cable shopping channels.

Please don't think me Neanderthal if I insist that The Home Shopping Network and QVC are God's gift to insomnia.

Two perky people sit in a TV studio in New Jersey talking to a woman in Alabama who's been in a coma for three days and doesn't know it yet.

"So, Beulah Belle, will you be wearing your new *Dinotique* anklet bracelet when you go *possum* strolling this year?"

("Who's this?")

The other evening, I screwed my courage to the sticking point and changed channels when there were still a few minutes left in a Beanie Baby collectibles show.

"EXCUSE me?" my wife stormed.

"I'm just checking CNN to see if the Second Coming has happened yet," I whimpered.

"It can wait 5 minutes."

Myself, I'm eminently reasonable when I click: Never stop to operate the channel.

My wife insists that it's a control issue, and she's right: remote control.

With my analytical, right-brain perception, I can tell within nanoseconds whether a TV program is likely to trigger a nag reflex.

Most do. These include just about any program on the four major networks and the aforementioned shopping channels, plus anything with guy holding a paintbrush, a lawn mower, or a seance (see *Network, Psychic Friends*).

"Stop somewhere, will you?" my wife shouts.

"There's nothing good on," I explain calmly while surfing maniacally. "So I'll just keep looking."

My wife finally retaliated by burying one of our clickers somewhere in the sofa cushions. Now she guards the other with slightly more zeal than a lioness with three cubs in diapers.

But the other evening, our youngest son, who's 17, provided a reality check.

We were all sitting in the living room watching my wife's program when he mentioned he'd like to see something on another channel.

She reached for her clicker, and it was gone. Couldn't find it anywhere. So there we sat, looking blankly at each other, while the TV dropped on.

"Well, I guess you'll have to walk across the room to change the channel," I said at length.

Looking puzzled, the lad was silent for a few seconds.

"Forget it," he said, retreating downstairs to his own TV.

Have we really grown that lazy? It's a point to ponder while we search for the clickers.

So we're getting pretty darn tired of that one channel.

*Times-News features editor Steve Crump wonders if Adam and Eve had clunked together that doesn't explain a whole lot.*

## Cash and trades

### Collectors' hobby mirrors pro sports

By Jennifer Sandmann  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Don't throw away that box of cereal. It might be worth something.

A nearly 10-year-old empty container of Wheaties featuring Michael Jordan on the front and a trick game on the back was selling for \$25 Saturday at a sports cards show for collectors.

About a dozen collectors and dealers from the Magic Valley, the Treasure Valley and Utah set up tables at Canyon Springs Park Hotel. Cash and trades were the business of the day.

While Jordan's picture still can turn a profit out of breakfast, dealers say basketball cards are moving just as slowly as negotiations in the NBA lock-out.



Kaylee Hill, 6, and parents Todd and Kristi look through the rows of sports cards at Saturday's show for possible additions to their own collection. Todd Hill said they started collecting cards four years ago and now have more than 60,000.

Football cards and anything of home run hitters Sammy Sosa and Mark McGwire are popular, said Karl Schlossnagle, a dealer from Utah who sells cards for a hobby.

"I can't keep either of those players in stock," he said. McGwire's first and highest-priced card - from his play on the U.S. Olympic team in 1984 -

sells for \$250, said Mark Stowman, owner of SportsCards Unlimited in Twin Falls. Sosa has one rookie card that can command \$120. Other cards from Sosa's first season bring between \$5 and \$12.

Football's rookie players, particularly Randy Moss of the Minnesota Vikings, are highly sought, said Stowman, who orga-

nized the show. The right Moss card can sell for \$80.

"The trend in the hobby right now is rookie cards and autographs," Schlossnagle said.

One of collector Will Tyson's high-end cards - signed by Magic Johnson - is priced at \$500.

"It's almost too expensive for a kid to collect anymore," Tyson

said. "The shows bring out adults."

John Berry Sr., a collector from Salt Lake City, sifted through new buys Saturday with his son John Berry Jr. The senior Berry got lucky when he pulled Houston Oilers Eddie George's card - valued at \$80 -

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## Donations make holiday help possible

### Community supports shelter in Rupert

By Lorraine Cavener  
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Deanne Brower has heard and seen a lot of sad stories since she opened Community Oasis seven years ago. But happy stories have also been a part of the Oasis repertoire.

As preparations are being made for the holiday season, Brower said she has single-handedly generated happy scenarios at the Oasis. Generous donations from individuals, businesses, organizations and churches have made it possible for her to operate the shelter.

"The community has blessed us," said Brower, owner and ordained minister at the shelter, soup kitchen and chapel.

She tells of one of many people who came to the Oasis as a sad story and left as a happy story.

"When this guy walked in he looked like he'd been through a war," Brower said, not completing the sentence. "He had hit every road that was hard."

When Brower offered him a hug, tears came to his eyes, she said.

"He got a job right away and stayed at the shelter about two months while he got back on his feet," she said.

Bryan and Sharry Conerd and their 6-year-old daughter, Samantha, are staying at the shelter after moving to Rupert from Iowa recently.

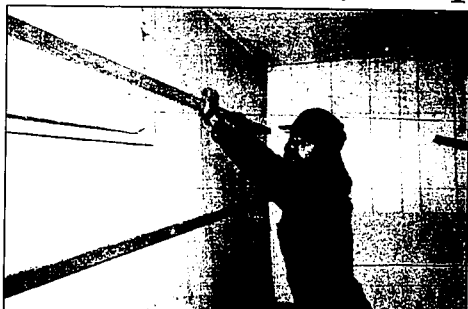
Bryan Conerd is installing wallboard at the shelter and plans to help with brickwork for the new woodstove, while Sharry Conerd is helping prepare meals.

The shelter is installing carpet, installing a wood stove, and conducting numerous other maintenance projects. Brower hopes most of the work will be done in time for the holiday season.

Quick installation of the woodstove would be especially nice, to help with heat bills during the winter, Brower said.

Depending on volunteer labor for projects can sometimes be frustrating, because those who volunteer often have paid projects to finish first.

But Brower does not complain. Generous donations of materials and labor



Bryan Conerd volunteers to lay wallboard at the Community Oasis shelter in Rupert.

### Holiday dinners

Community Oasis annual Thanksgiving dinner will be held from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. today, with a 6 p.m. service. The speaker will be Dorcas Ingram, and the band Laurus will play.

The annual Christmas dinner will be held the Sunday before Christmas, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., with a service following at 6 p.m.

The Oasis shelter is at 102 Second St., Rupert. For more information, call Oasis at 436-4995.

from the community are making the repairs and remodeling projects possible, she said.

"Many people have repeatedly helped us since the beginning. We've had just beautiful people in the community," she said.

The Conerd family arrived at the shelter after being forced to spend their cash on car repairs, but Brower believes their transportation misfortune is not the real reason why they are at the shelter.

"The Lord knew I needed this work done. He brought them here," Brower said.

The Conerds are grateful for what the Community Oasis has offered them.

"It's the least I can do for letting us stay

here," Conerd said.

Room and board is not the only help the Conerds received from the shelter.

Sharry Conerd referred to Brower with an endearing term used often by shelter residents. "My daughter was really sick. Mom got her in to see a doctor," she said.

Brower is also trying to find donated clothing for 6-year-old Samantha Conerd.

"She came here with only one or two outfits," Brower said.

Brower said a list of reasons why people stay at the shelter could fill two pages.

After opening in 1991 as a soup kitchen and chapel, Community Oasis later became a shelter. But it was closed for a year, until it was brought up to code. Donations from the community were raised.

"It was \$5,000 for electric work alone," Brower said.

This is the seventh year Community Oasis is serving community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Last year 130 plates were served, said Marie Bryant, who worked with Sharry Conerd to prepare the meals. She plans to help prepare the food again this year.

"It is a four-day ordeal but it is fun," she said.

*Times-News staff writer Lorraine Cavener can be reached in Burley at 677-4042.*

### Organizations offer free meals for Thanksgiving

By Rachel Denny  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - No one needs to go hungry this holiday. This year a few charities and religious organizations will offer free meals for the needy and shut-ins to observe Thanksgiving.

But in some cases, you'll have to call ahead to reserve a spot at the table or arrange a delivered dinner.

Here are a few places to find Thanksgiving meals:

#### Wednesday night

• St. Edward's Catholic Parish in Twin Falls will serve Thanksgiving dinner from 6 to 7 p.m. at 152 Seventh Ave. E. All needy people are encouraged to attend.

#### Thursday

• Dunkin's Drought House, 102 Main Ave. N. in Twin Falls, will serve dinner from 1 p.m. until the food is gone. Individuals who are hungry or lonely are welcome. Dunkin's is accepting canned food items to donate to the Knights of Columbus for Christmas baskets, but they are not necessary for admission.

• Army in Twin Falls will provide lunch to needy individuals and shut-ins from noon to 2 p.m. Tickets for the dinner are available at The Salvation Army office, at 348 Fourth Ave. N., until 5 p.m. Wednesday. Shoppers who need home delivery should call 733-8720.

• The Jerome Cafe will offer breakfast from 6 to 11 a.m. and dinner from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to the needy and shut-ins. To have a meal delivered, call 324-5861 by 1 p.m. Thursday. To attend one of the free meals, call ahead to sign up.

• The Jerome Kiwanis Club will deliver free turkey dinners for shut-ins and elderly individuals from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To have a meal delivered, call Janet Lehman at 324-2734 or the Rev. Jack Bynum at 324-2981 by Wednesday afternoon.

*Times-News correspondent Rachel Denny can be reached in Twin Falls at 734-3780.*

## Magic Valley star recalls her days in radio's heyday

By Sam Feltman  
Times-News correspondent

BUHL - When folks sat around the radio instead of the television set, some of their idols were tangible - people they could shake hands with and go see perform on a Saturday night at the dance.

Those were the days of Betty Lou. Betty Lou Haney used to sing on the radio, and she was the prettiest girl around.

"Everybody loved her, the local boys were all chasing her, she was the prettiest girl in the school," said Herb Caudill of Buhl, who used to ride the school bus in Castleford with Betty Lou.

Betty Lou Haney has been Betty Harmon since she married at 17. She and her husband, Ace, celebrated their 50th anniversary Sept. 10. They raised four daughters and still live in Buhl.

Ennie Weaver of Buhl, Caudill's sister, was the same age as Harmon and a school friend. When they were young, she said, they would sing together.

"I thought she (Betty Lou) would go far, I thought she would be a star," Weaver said. "If she would have been in the right place she would have made it."

Weaver said Harmon was a good entertainer and very pretty, and everyone liked her.

Harmon was busy as a youth; she not only sang on the radio, she had her own radio program on KJLX five days a week when she was 14 and 15 years old. She played at dances and promotional functions for KJLX around the Magic Valley,

Harmon said.

The Twin Falls studio where she performed her live shows was across the street from a nursing home, she said, and residents who were able would walk over to see her shows through a window.

Harmon, a country Western singer, started and ended her program with "Red River Valley." For the most part she was alone for her half-hour broadcast, but once in a while her father, Floyd, or her

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## Education about destructiveness of meth may be making inroads

BOISE (AP) — Two years of messages in the schools to youth may have contributed to progress in the local fight against methamphetamine use.

Meth-related arrests in Ada County and meth overdoses reported to Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center have dropped to the lowest levels in five years.

Just five people have been arrested this year in Boise for manufacturing the drug. And it has been two years since Idaho recorded a meth-related death.

Boise officers had made 199 meth-related arrests this year as of Nov. 14, that compares with 333 for all of 1997.

As of Nov. 14, police had dis-

covered 22 suspected meth labs. But only five people were arrested for making the drug.

"Typically, suspects aren't arrested at that time. Usually warrants are issued later," said Boise Police Lt. Jim Tibbs. "Maybe the suspect cooperated to lead them to a bigger fish. Those are the only reasons I can think of."

Outside Boise, Ada County deputies made 34 meth-related arrests in 1997. So far in 1998, that has dropped to just 10 arrests.

"Anytime you arrest someone for a drug violation, that's a very little victory," Tibbs said. "Maybe law enforcement, education and treatment is

making a difference."

But local substance abuse counselor Burny Wells said he has no shortage of clients. And he says their stories show meth may be causing more pain than the numbers show. Abusers must use increasing amounts as a stimulant, destroying their health.

"It's such a downward spiral, it's devastating," Wells said. "We absolutely have success stories. But they have to want to get off the drug."

The problem is that once addicts get to that point where they decide to seek help, it can be hard to find unless they have enough money for treatment, he said.

Oncostatin M has on mammary tissue.

Previous experiments show the protein inhibits breast cancer cell growth when tested in culture dishes. The next step is to determine if it does the same thing in a test animal.

One step involves cloning two separate strains of mice. One will be genetically altered to

produce large amounts of the protein and the other strain has already been developed at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md., to develop mammary tumors.

Joreyk is collaborating with Drs. Randy Ryan, Michael J. Spence and Yongsheng Ma at the Veterans Medical Center and Dr. Jeffrey E. Green at the National Institute of Health.

## U of I to offer engineering program

The Times-News

BOISE — The State Board of Education last week adopted a new master's program at the University of Idaho in systems engineering.

The board said it was an industry-driven request. In 1995, Lockheed Martin Corp. asked whether the university could implement the program as part of the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory's educational contract with the U of I.

The program will be delivered at the university, at its outreach center in Idaho Falls and through distance-learning programs.

Idaho State University offers an undergraduate program in systems engineering.

## Carnival operator loses in lawsuit

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — For four years in a row, beginning in 1993, deputy sheriffs claimed Watson's machines were gambling devices and ejected him from the Salt Lake County Fair.

In 1995, Watson was cited for operating a gambling device, but later acquitted by a jury. The next year — despite the acquittal — deputies again shut down Watson's games. He then sued the county, six deputies and two county prosecutors in U.S. District Court.

U.S. District Judge Dale Kimball ruled deputies had probable cause to shut Watson's games down and are entitled to immunity against Watson's claims.

Players of Watson's games attempt to guide tokens, coins or prizes down a chute. Watson contends the arm can be stopped by button, making the contest a game of skill.



Among the hot cards for collectors are those of home-run sluggers Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa.

## Cards

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from a \$4 pack.

"It's kind of a gamble," John

Berry Sr. said. "You get a lot of

a high end of hitting power."

Even though the hobby has

turned a profit for some collectors,

the sheer love of sports is

enough of a drive for some

young fans.

The youngest buyer, 13, collects

anything he can find in his

favorite player, Drew Blanton,

quarterback for the New

England Patriots. Berry picked

up about another 25 Blanton

cards Saturday.

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# MAGIC VALLEY/WEST

## They don't dance with wolves

### Ranchers resent federal efforts to restore Mexican gray wolves

ALPINE, Ariz. (AP) — Lahar Clark's grandfather grazed cattle on the same land Clark does today, under the same blue skies and skinny ponderosa. For 100 years, Clark said, his family got along fine raising their herds in the Apache National Forest woodlands surrounding their ranch.

But in January, Clark began to feel that his way of life was in danger. That's when the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service started releasing wolves on the land.

Clark grazes about 70 cattle on his own acreage and on the public land. The forest near the Arizona-New Mexico state line was home to large packs of Mexican gray wolves until the 18th and 19th centuries, when people — including Clark's rancher grandfather, Clark says — shot, poisoned and trapped them by the thousands. Ranchers and others in the area said then what Clark and others say now: that the wolves threaten families, cattle, and deer and other prey.

Federal officials fear 11 wolves they've released this year to restore the animals' numbers

*"The ranchers are going to have to recognize the laws, that these are public lands."*

— Bruce Babbitt, Interior Secretary

could face the same fate as their ancestors. The unsolved slayings of three of the wolves, as well as the release of two females, drew Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt to Alpine on Monday, where he declared that the wolves were here to stay, and that ranchers had better get used to them.

That didn't go over well with ranchers. They try to shove their down your throat," Clark said.

Some ranchers say they're worried they could lose their ranching rights as the federal government finds other ways to use the land, including the wolf reintroduction.

"It belongs to everybody, but they just don't want the rancher around," said Clark. "They don't

want no people out there is what it amounts to."

Barbara and Bill Marks are ranchers in Blue, the forest's near-wilderness area. Mrs. Marks says the wolves don't belong in the forest and that the federal government shouldn't second-guess the judgment of people who have known the land for years.

"My husband's family has been here since 1891. I've been here for a short time, since 1977," she says. "When you see things going on with the wildlife, with the land ... and you feel or see what they're suggesting is a bad idea, and they say, 'Well, we have our minds made up, this is the way it will be,' that does kind of feel like a slap in the face."

Ranchers and others also say

the wolves are too close to Alpine and other remote towns in the forest, and that they aren't adjusting well enough to freedom. A story passed down through Clark's family tells of a father and son devoured by wolves when they tried to feed their cattle after dark. Wildlife officials say wolf attacks are very rare, and that only rabid wolves attack people.

Clark says he saw one wolf eyeing his cattle, and biologists want the wolves hunting, not going after cows.

Still, the ranchers are getting little sympathy from the federal government. Babbitt, Arizona's former governor and the son of a ranching family, says grazing on public land is a privilege the government doesn't have to allow. "The ranchers are going to have to recognize the laws, that these are public lands," he said.

## FOR THE RECORD

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**TWIN FALLS**—Recent activity in 5th District Court in Twin Falls County included:

#### Arraignments and appearances

Joe Ann Cuevas, 37, 1121 Wilson St., N. Garden Grove, Calif., trafficking in cocaine; trafficking in methamphetamine, two counts of failing to affix drug tax stamps, preliminary hearing Wednesday, public defender appointed; \$50,000 bond.

Robert H. Cuevas, 44, 4226 Clear Lakes Road, Buhl, driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; \$500 bond.

Dustin Frederick Eiters, 28, street address unavailable, Jackson, Nev.; driving under the influence; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; \$500 bond.

Larry Dean Farnsworth, 42, 2375 E. 3700 N., Filer; driving under the influence (excused); driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; \$15,000 bond.

Larry Dean Farnsworth, 42, 2375 E. 3700 N., Filer; probation violation on driving under the influence; warrant, pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; \$15,000 bond.

Rick Steven Flynn, 34, 2026 Elizabeth Blvd., No. 17, Twin Falls; domestic battery; pleaded innocent; waived public defender; \$1,500 bond.

Ricky Lynn Friel, 39, 140 Addison Ave. W., No. 82, Twin Falls; driving under the influence; public defender continued; released on own recognizance.

Douglas Lynn Jacobson, 43, 3248 N. 900 E., Castletree; driving under the influence; preliminary hearing Wednesday; waived public defender; \$5,000 bond.

Douglas Lynn Jacobson, 43, 3248 N. 900 E., Castletree; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; released on own recognizance.

Georgene Martinez, 19, 131 Tyler St., Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

Katherine Justine Martinez, 22, 312 Eighth Ave. E., Twin Falls; trespassing; pleaded guilty; released on own recognizance.

John R. Rice, 21, 1202 Starline St., Twin Falls; possession of a fictitious check; three counts of possession of a forged document; preliminary hearing Dec. 4; public defender appointed; \$5,000 bond.

Mark M. Rodriguez, 22, 1331 E. Main St., No. 7, Burley; failure to appear on bail to purchase driver's license; \$400 bond.

Marino M. Rodriguez, 22, 1331 E. Main St., No. 7, Burley; failure to purchase driver's license; pleaded guilty; fined \$75 plus court costs.

Charles Owen Shoup, 20, 1701 Third Ave. E., Twin Falls; failure to pay on driving without privileges; warrant; public defender appointed; \$136.50 cash bond.

Justin Lee Siderell, 23, 232 Ash St., Kimberly; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded guilty; released on own recognizance.

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Theodore David Stucking, 37, 447 Lincoln St., Kimberly; obstructing an officer, warrant, pleaded guilty; \$1,500 bond.

Steven Todd Thompson, 29, street address unavailable, Twin Falls; intimidating a witness; violating a protection order; preliminary hearing Wednesday, public defender appointed.

Steven Todd Thompson, 29, Twin Falls; theft by possession of stolen property (three separate cases); public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

Steven Todd Thompson, 29, Twin Falls; attempted escape; injury to jail, preliminary hearing Wednesday, public defender appointed; released on own recognizance.

William James Turner, 42, 236 Holly Road, Ontario, Ore.; failure to appear at sentencing for domestic battery; warrant, waived public defender; \$5,000 bond.

Luis Gaston Vargas, 26, on address available; possession of a controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; pleaded guilty; sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended.

Miguel Perez Villalpando, 32, 1625 E. 3200 S., Wendell; possession of a controlled substance; driving without privileges; pleaded guilty; sentenced to two days in jail, suspended; driving privileges suspended 180 days.

William Joseph White, 30, 811 Fourth Ave. W., Twin Falls; domestic battery; pleaded innocent; released on own recognizance.

Edward David Willard, 31, street address unavailable, Twin Falls; criminal trespassing; pleaded guilty; sentenced to five days in jail.

**Child support cases**  
State of Idaho, Child Support Services vs. Kenneth L. Peterson. Seeking \$132 monthly support plus 56 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

State of Idaho, Child Support Services on behalf of Idaho Department of Juvenile Corrections vs. Jimmie J. Wagoner. Seeking \$484 monthly support plus 81 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$275 attorney's fees and costs.

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## Racist mailings galvanize Panhandle town

**'SANDPOINT (AP) —** Racist mailings and white supremacist visits at a recent human rights meeting have spurred community efforts to combat hate.

"People are starting to get angry, and we want to diffuse it constructively," said Gretchen Albrecht-Hellar, chairman of the Bonner County Human Rights Task Force.

The first effort is "Emergency Hate Response Kits" available to citizens the next time racist mailings hit the area.

They will include suggestions of how to respond, bumper stickers and window posters supporting human rights, copies of human rights booklets, cards designed by children and a list of the 10 best ways to turn racist literature into something other than its intended purpose.

Albrecht-Hellar said she has never seen such widespread and well-financed hate litera-

*The literature helped pack the room at the Bonner County Human Rights Task Force meeting this month. But the three men responsible for the mailings attended the meeting, videotaping participants.*

ture campaigns as the two that recently invaded Bonner County and Kootenai County homes.

The first mailing two months ago included an anti-Semitic booklet and poster that asserts white superiority. The second involved videotapes of an interview with Aryan Nations leader Richard Butler.

Two wealthy Sandpoint men — Carl E. Story and R. Vincent Bertolini — are behind the mailings. And an anti-Semitic comic book was distributed to Sandpoint students, published by Michael Hoffman II of Coeur d'Alene.

The literature helped pack the room at the Bonner County Human Rights Task Force meeting this month. But Butler, Hoffman and Bertolini attended the meeting, videotaping participants.

Jumping into the fray are Frederic and Cynthia Wiedemann of Sandpoint. The two run a nonprofit foundation called the Unifying Fields Foundation, which is dedicated to building a sense of connection in communities.

"It's easy for our community to hate the haters," Frederic Wiedemann said. "How do we have a community that in some way has compassion for that, but not stand for it? The real work is going to be long term."

## Gobble up those cheap gas prices this holiday

**BOISE (AP) —** Getting to grandma's house for Thanksgiving will cost less this year, thanks to slack market conditions that Idaho's AAA says have driven gasoline prices to the lowest levels in years.

Based on its Thanksgiving Fuel Gauge Survey of 82 retail outlets from four geographic regions of the state, the AAA Oregon/Idaho reported the average price for a gallon of self-serve, unleaded gasoline was \$1.17. That was a penny less than Labor Day and lower than any Thanksgiving holiday period since 1994.

The not-for-profit travel organization said Idaho's average price was still well above the national average of \$1.055 per gallon, but 18 cents lower than a year ago

and 9 cents lower than the recent five-year Idaho average for Thanksgiving.

"Motorists can thank us as a distant oversupply of crude oil lower than expected demand due to sluggish worldwide economies for these low prices," AAA spokesman Dave Carlson said.

But Idaho prices still are among the highest in the nation. Only three states in the continental United States — California, Montana and Nevada — reported higher prices for the holiday period.

Southeastern Idaho reported the lowest in-state average price among the four regions, at \$1.125 per gallon. South-central Idaho reported the highest average price at \$1.20.

## Judge rejects defense move in ISP shooting

**COEUR D'ALENE (AP) —** A judge has denied a defense attorney's bid to spend thousands of dollars in court funds to gauge how much the public knows about the shooting death of Idaho State Police trooper Linda Huff.

Kootenai County Chief Public Defender John Adams on Friday proposed hiring a consultant to determine whether Scott D. Yager can get a fair trial in connection with the June 17 slaying outside state police headquarters in Coeur d'Alene.

Adams suggested hiring a University of Idaho sociology professor or a Spokane, Wash., attorney to conduct the study.

Yager, 35, of Rathdrum, is charged with first-degree murder of a police officer and using a deadly weapon to commit a felony. His trial is scheduled to begin Jan. 25.

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Dr. John Nelson, 86, retired Longview, Wash., physician, strolls through his tree farm Friday.

## Oregon man donates tree farm to charity to keep out housing

**LONGVIEW, Wash. (AP) —** Dr. John Nelson couldn't stand the thought of his tree farm going under the knife, so he donated part of it to be managed for charitable causes.

Now, chances are better that the 37 acres will remain timbered, rather than be carved into a subdivision.

The 86-year-old Nelson, who has spent 30 years improving his woodlot and also manages family farms in Eastern Washington, said he wanted his land to stay out of the reaches of suburban sprawl.

"If you're a farmer, you're always a farmer," he said. "If you love the land and manage it and make it produce and improve it, you want to keep it going from generation to generation."

The retired Longview physician has already gifted much of his 270-acre tree farm to family members, in an effort to avoid estate taxes that might require breaking up the property to be paid.

The donated acreage, managed by a Vancouver-based charitable group, will be paying dividends soon from a 12-acre harvest.

The first checks, totaling \$10,000, go out this week to a Longview church, St. Johns Medical Center Foundation and other local causes.

Nelson also wants other tree farmers to follow his example, to keep Washington green.

In the past three decades, the state has lost 23 million acres of timberland, most to development. That's an area as large as Yellowstone National Park.

Besides the loss in wooded products, there have also been effects

on the region's water and wildlife. State foresters say that a \$2.4 billion stormwater system would be needed to replace the water-retaining capacity of forests lost in the Puget Sound area.

Chan Noerberg of Castle Rock, president of the Washington Farm Forestry Association, said the loss of timberland makes your eyeballs roll. ... There's just a constant drain."

Hard work, soaring timber prices and time have dramatically escalated the value of the tract that Nelson paid \$95,000 for in 1968. He has more than 4 million board feet of timber, worth more than \$2 million. It's a tremendous asset. But it's also a huge tax liability to Nelson's estate.

Nelson watched in horror as 1,000 acres of timber were logged off a neighboring property when its owners died. Inheritance taxes as high as 55 percent forced heirs to cut the timber.

Estate taxes are one of the chief factors putting small tree farms out of existence or forcing heirs to cut trees prematurely, Nelson said.

So he and his wife, Maxine, started giving their land away in 1986, determined to have it managed on a steady, sustained-yield basis. They gave 101 acres to their two daughters and five grandchildren under the federal gifting laws.

In January, they donated the 37 acres worth \$430,000 to the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington, located in Vancouver. The foundation accepts donations of cash, stock and other assets and manages

them to support charitable causes in the region.

With the help of a committee of foresters, the foundation will manage the land and distribute profits to charities. There's no ironclad guarantee that the foundation won't sell the land, but the intent is to keep the land growing trees unless laws and nearby development make that impossible.

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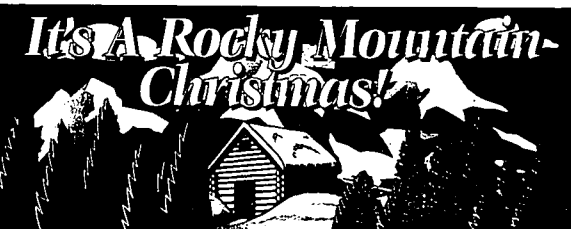
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A recent survey of the mammography rates in the Magic Valley found that only about 20 percent of eligible women have had a mammogram ~ the rate should be 90 percent.

MVRMC offers 1,200 reduced-cost mammograms each year (600 in October and 600 in April). There is a free breast self-exam education program offered through the MVRMC Outpatient Services office. And the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center offers several cancer support groups, including one specifically for breast cancer patients.

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## RAINY DAY BLUES



An unidentified University of Idaho student takes shelter under an umbrella while walking across campus Friday in Moscow.

## Coeur d'Alene river project faces cutbacks

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — In a state erosion-control experiment along the Coeur d'Alene River, the project will be much smaller than planned.

The Coeur d'Alene River Basin Commission during the past week seriously considered dropping the entire project, on which it has spent \$40,000.

Members were frustrated by the time-consuming opposition of federal and tribal scientists, who have asked questions about the effort to reduce erosion in the metals-contaminated Coeur d'Alene River shoreline.

"If we're going to go through two or three more months of haggling, I'm not going to pay any more contractors," said Jim Yost, who represents Gov. Phil Batt on the government-appointed commission.

The proposed three-acre project planned for a five-mile stretch of the northern Idaho river involves

installing rock berms along the shore to reduce the impact of waves on river boats.

The goal is to reduce the amount of nutrients and heavy metals being flushed downstream into Lake Coeur d'Alene. The lead and other metals are contained in mine waste that was hauled downstream from the Silver Valley.

It parties ultimately agreed to build a scaled-down version under way because the berms can only be installed during the winter when the water level is low. But there is continued tension among people trying to deal with wide areas of contaminated toxic waste.

State officials, who work with a state farmer and the cooperation of mining companies, have taken steps to get metals removed from the shoreline in the upper Coeur d'Alene River Basin. They want to extend their work to the lower river.

## Lawsuits accuse Teen Help of cruelty

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A St. George, Utah-based company accused last week of abusing students at a private school in the Czech Republic is facing similar allegations in Utah.

Teen Help, which operates a number of schools for at-risk teens and residential treatment programs around the world, has been accused in a pair of federal lawsuits filed this week in Salt Lake with tormenting and denigrating the kids it purports to help.

Teen Help executive Karr Farnsworth called the allegations "absurd."

"We do not abuse kids," he

said. "We work to get kids back together with their families."

Last week, St. George natives Glenda Roach and her husband, Steven, of St. George, Utah, were charged with cruelty to people in their custody at the Teen Help-run Moravia Academy they ran in the Czech Republic. Two workers at the school, 125 miles southeast of Prague, also were charged.

Police interviewed 25 of the school's 57 students and said eight complained of harsh treatment. Investigators said some students were isolated or tied up and prevented from using the bathroom.

One of the lawsuits filed in

Utah this week involves allegations of abuse at Teen Help's Paradise Cove facility in Western Samoa, including the alleged abduction of a California boy in 1996.

The lawsuit, filed by Stanley Gould and his son, Stanley Gould Jr., claims the boy was forcefully taken from his bedroom in the early morning hours of Nov. 30, 1996 by three large Teen Help workers. The boy, the lawsuit claims, was enrolled in the program by his mother without his father's consent.

He was taken to St. George and then flown to the American Samoa enclave, described in the

lawsuit as a "cult camp."

The boy was not allowed to contact his father and was subjected to "abusive, dangerous and degrading" treatment at the hands of "local natives hired at substandard wages who, at worst, tormented the youth enrolled and who, at best, had no idea what they were doing," the lawsuit claims.

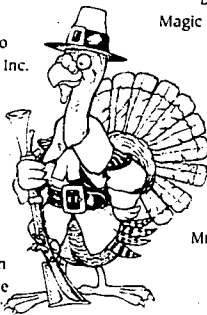
While there, the boy was "berated, tormented, ridiculed, belittled, scolded, deprived and 'defecated' to make him a 'compliant supplicant of Paradise Cove.'" Also, he was forced to subsist on an inadequate and substandard diet.

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# Just the 2 of them, alone

Father, daughter only residents of national park isle

ANACAPA ISLAND, Calif. — She's learning to read by reading out the letters on cargo markings, staff of the international maritime union of the Pacific.

Her exact reading progress: "MELANIE" is the black capital letter formation on the hull of the ferry to Annapolis.

Her destination, which doubles as her father's ancient, sits in the shadow of a lightning bolt with a powerful beacon and mooring horn. The lighthouse' tower sits near the island's rocky cliffs and submerged reefs, sometimes spotted by a log.

The lighthouse is a piece of rock in the western outlet of Channel Island National Park — a playground without a single playground, with no other children to play with.

"It's not meant for people," her father, Drew Gottshall, 44, of Annapolis Island.

He was smiling.

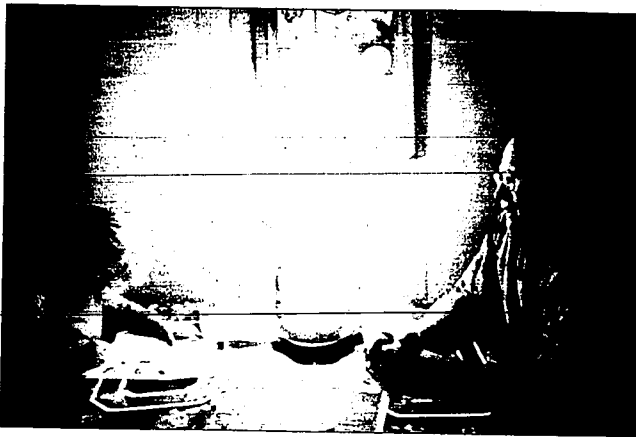
The island is a small area of about 700 acres and is really three separate slabs — accessible to one another only by boat. It is a remote, with no natural shade, no natural water, and no more than concrete and wind-powered electricity to power a small town of one or two.

A 15-year-old man, Drew, has been living there for 15 years. He has a 6-year-old daughter, Melanie, who lives with him.

For the last 15 years, Gottshall and his daughter have lived on the island, away from the world.

He calls "Tree" his mother in Philadelphia, the maintenance worker for Channel Islands National Park, and lives in an abandoned house there.

Since Annapolis and its neighborhood became a national park in 1981, he and Melanie are the only person living on the island.



At the end of a long workday, Channel Islands National park maintenance worker Drew 'Tree' Gottshall, 44, and his 6-year-old daughter Melanie relax at the kitchen table to do school work together. The two are the only residents of Annapolis Island, which is off the coast of southern California near Ventura. As a single dad, Gottshall worries about the lack of children Melanie's age for her to interact with on a regular basis. Melanie's mother is an unemployed schoolteacher in Russia. Right, Gottshall and Melanie walk down the trail leading to Annapolis Island's lighthouse. Often when her dad is busy working, she always ask after her.

And he's the first to live on the island while raising a child.

He took the job in 1992 and landed with his newborn daughter on Annapolis on a foggy early morning in April.

The island seemed as polar opposite as the national park from which he had come — the Dry Tortugas, a group of small islands off the coast of Florida, crossed by trade winds in a past life.

Annapolis can be bitter cold at night and blazing hot during the day. On a good afternoon, the coastal towns of Oxnard, Ventura and Malibu look to be within swimming distance. On a rainy day, it resembles a truck in the middle of the North Sea.

"I thought I had made a big mistake," the slim, somewhat fat-

ter 44-year-old man said. "I think that's the only time I didn't think it was a comfortable place."

They have found more company recently, as the island is undergoing its first major trail repair in three years.

A crew from North Cascades National Park traveled to Annapolis in early November to clear away shrubs, remove dead trails and fill potholes caused by heavy winter rains.

Tree has been pointing out problem areas he couldn't fix on his own, and working alongside the three-man crew.

"There is no natural drainage on the island, so these trails just become rivers," he said. "This island is a hostile, mucky place when it's raining."

While canoeing, kayaking, bird watching and sea kayaking are favorite draws for island visitors, it is Melanie who leaves the most indelible impression.

Maybe it's her tiny, dirt-smudged face, big blue eyes, blond pigtails and missing front tooth. Or it could be the way she hoists herself on the railing to wave goodbye to yet another group of visitors leaving on an island lagoon boat.

For John Prince, a volunteer who takes elder hostel groups out for day trips to Annapolis, it's the child's gregarious nature that beguiles him.

"She talks to the groups when they come out and they are always impressed with how well-spoken she is," he said. "She is definitely popular with the groups

and they always ask after her."

Her father says Melanie has adapted well to the slow-paced life of the island, but he has begun to re-evaluate their situation.

As a single dad — Melanie's mother is an unemployed school teacher in Russia — he worries about the lack of children her age for interaction on a regular basis.

He hints that they may spend just one more year on Annapolis.

He took Melanie to the mainland to go trick or treating on Halloween for the first time (she dressed up as a devil). He says she really seemed to enjoy being with friends her own age.

Melanie herself was wistful about the experience: "I miss my friends sometimes."

In the summer, Melanie goes to

Russia, where she was born, to be with her mother, Olga.

"She really looks forward to those trips," her father said.

But Melanie said she likes the island — the only life she's ever really known — exploring, getting dirty and being curious like many children her age.

For now, at least, Tree and Melanie live just beyond the fast-paced world of coastal California, and away from some concerns there.

When the Northridge quake struck in the early morning of Jan. 17, 1994, Tree bolted out of his house and saw the eerie blue glow of transformers flickering up and down the seashore. While thousands were inconvenienced by no running water or electricity, he was able to turn on a light and make a cup of coffee.

## Outpouring of aid helps man cope with loss of family in tragic accident

CHIEF OF POLICE AD — Offer of food and money have helped a man cope with the aftermath of a highway accident that killed his wife and two daughters.

Several men, including police officers, have offered money to help the man cope with the loss of his family.

The man, who is now in a hospital, is being cared for by police officers. He is being cared for by police officers.

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outgoing a hamburger restaurant.

Rory Presnell, 36, was driving the family's Jeep sports-utility vehicle when he stopped on the shoulder of Interstate 90's east-bound lanes near Post Falls to

check on a wheel.

He put on his four-way flashers before exiting the vehicle to examine the wheel, the Idaho State Police said. His wife Teresa Presnell, 27, stayed inside with the couple's 4-year-old

children, Chase and 3-year-old Kendall.

The Jeep was struck from behind by a pickup driven by Cheryl Roberts of Post Falls that apparently strayed onto the shoulder, IDOT officials say.

Rory Presnell narrowly escaped injury. He looked on helplessly as the pickup struck his Jeep. The Jeep burst into flames, and Presnell's wife and children died instantly. Roberts was uninjured.

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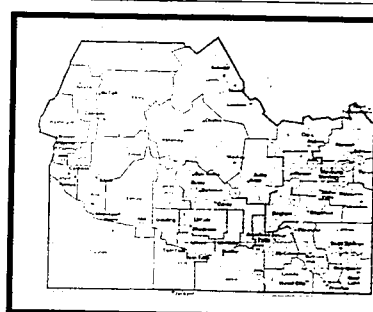
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## MORNING LINE

**CSI action**  
See Page C2 for full coverage of College of Southern Idaho athletes, including the volleyball team's quest for a state championship and the basketball team's quest for a state championship. The final night of tournament play.



## SPORTSQUOTE

“I don't get paid to think like that. I get paid to do what they tell me.”

—*Ohio State tackle Tyson Walker, asked to explain why the top-ranked Buckeyes lost to Michigan State on Nov. 7*

## TODAY'S SCHEDULE

### Eagle beats Blackfoot to win A-1 Div. II title

**POCATELLO** — Senior Josh Hull grabbed 13 passes for 156 yards, and Shane Armstrong grabbed two of Eagle's six interceptions as the Mustangs beat Blackfoot 28-6 Saturday for the state A-1 Division II high school title in Holt Arena.

The Mustangs (11-1) scored first on a three-yard pass from Brad Allen to Hull and senior Christian's conversion kick.

The top-ranked Broncos (10-2) answered on a three-yard Clint Loois run in the second quarter but still trailed 7-6 when the punt after kick went wide.

Eagle took the opening kickoff of the second half and marched 78 yards in 12 plays to score an insurance touchdown on a 10-yard run by junior Denny Heck and later added a 13-yard interception return by Tim Muehlman for the game's final touchdown.

### Idaho State wins in final

#### minute over CSU Northridge

**POCATELLO** — DeRonn Finley hauled in a 54-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Seth Burford with 32 seconds remaining to give Idaho State a 32-29 win over CSU Northridge on Saturday.

The scoring was culminated an 80-yard BSC drive in the final two minutes, highlighted by a 55-yard pass from Burford to wide receiver Brian Goodell.

With the win, Idaho State (3-8 2-6) ruined any chance at a Big Sky Conference title or post-season berth for Cal State-Northridge (7-4 5-3). The Mustangs began the day in a three-way tie with Montana and Montana State for top honors in the conference.

Burford completed seven passes, all in the second half, for 149 yards and three touchdowns.

The Bengals run up 444 yards. Finley finished with five catches for 92 yards and two touchdowns.

Murphy Brady led the Matadors with six yards passing and three touchdowns passes. Brady hit wide receiver Aaron Smith for a 10-yard score to give Northridge 25-24 lead with 1:28 remaining in the game.

Smith led all receivers with 156 yards on 10 receptions.

### Haarhuis, Eltingh set for swan song in doubles final

**SENIOR** Comm. — Jason Eltingh and Paul Haarhuis, the top Dutch team soon to disband, advanced to the finals of the ATP World Doubles Championship with a 7-6 (7-3) 6-4 victory Saturday over Don Johnson and Francisco Montana.

The winners will face Mark Knowles of the Bahamas and Daniel Nestor of Canada in the title Sunday. That match will be the last time Eltingh and Haarhuis play together.

Eltingh announced earlier this week he will retire from tennis after the tournament. The 28-year-old became a father this year and wants to stay close to home. He moved from singles in 1997 because of knee problems.

Knowles and Nestor, the fourth-seeded team in the eight-team field, won their semifinal 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 against Olivier Delaune and Fabrice Santoro.

Eltingh and Haarhuis improved their record to 45-4, the best percentage on the ATP Tour this season. Together they have won 38 titles, including this year at Wimbledon.

“It's not like the guys are giving it away,” Eltingh said. “We're playing good tennis.”

Compiled from staff and wire reports

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By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

**POCATELLO** — When the Carey Panthers took Holt Arena's Astroturf to fourth-quarter cheers Saturday, it could have been any high school football game the Panthers have played this season — save two glaring details.

This game was for the state A-4 8-man championship, and the Panthers clung to the lonely end of a 30-24 decision facing the defending-champion Deary Mustangs.

“We didn't worry,” Carey coach Heber Kirkland said. “We talked about things like line blocking on running plays, and we did that better as the game went on.”

Not since their opener, playing Camas County at home Aug. 28, had Kirkland's undefeated Panthers entered the final 12 minutes of a game in the hole.

But Deary commanded an 8-0 lead four minutes into Saturday's showdown, punting on a muffed Carey kick return, then held Kirkland's squad at bay through the second and third quarters. The Mustangs looked to be closing on a repeat.

Were it not for senior Carey quarterback Mike Cenarrusa, they might have nailed one.

Known more for his scrambling ability than his arm, Cenarrusa passed with authority hitting Derrick Dilworth for 15 yards to start the final period and move the Panthers to midfield. He then found sophomore utility back Jonathan River all alone in the flats to tie the game at 30-30.

The momentum spilling over to defense, Cenarrusa intercepted Deary quarterback Tyrell Funke on the Mustangs' next drive — his second pick of the day. Rivera took the ball at Deary's 30 and danced down the sideline for the go-ahead score and the team's first lead of the afternoon.

Two minutes later, Carey's Beau Kelsey fell on a rare fumble by star Deary tailback Brandon Hansen, and Cenarrusa, who threw for 179 yards completing eight of 12 passes with two touchdowns, put the game all but out of reach with a nine-yard scoring run and two-point conversion.

Up 44-30 with seven minutes remaining, however, the Panthers were wise not to celebrate. In Carey's last championship appearance — 1985 — Deary set a new mark for total yardage in a state final with 668.

And sure enough, the Mustangs rallied Saturday. Backup quarterback Jeremiah McBride hooked up with Gavin Main for one score, then pitched to running back Brad Dammernan for another to pull his team within two points. With less than three minutes to play in the game, they staged a successful comeback, recovered on the 50-yard line, and Carey fans held their breath.

“See that?” Kirkland grimaced later, pulling his signature hair back from his head and pointing to a shining scalp. “These are the cardiac kids.”

But the Panthers' defense held firm. Junior lineman Joe Please see **PANTHERS**, Page C2

## Carey erases deficit, dethrones Deary 44-42



Carey's Greg Edwards (5) hunts for daylight against Deary's defense Saturday at Pocatello's Holt Arena in the state A-4 8-man high school football championship.

## Sidelined Simpson provides moral boost

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

**POCATELLO** — No. 32 was supposed to carry the load on Saturday playing defending-champ Deary for the state A-4 8-man title. Danny Simpson was to be Carey's man.

Instead, the running back watched from the sidelines.

Thursday night, the Panthers' senior golden boy took a cut after a pass — same as he has so many times in practices far less consequential — and tore cartilage on the side of his knee.

When his physician spelled out the danger of trying to play this weekend, Simpson ruled out suiting up.

“They told me if I played, I'd ruin it for basketball,” he said. “And I want to play basketball.”

In the team photo distributed in Saturday's game programs, Simpson stands at the back of the Panthers' lineup, in the top row where a senior belongs. Saturday, he contributed in new ways as Carey's most vocal on-field cheerleader.

Carey coach Heber Kirkland said the moral boost helped greatly. Carey held on to win the title 44-42.

“It was hard for him not to participate,” Kirkland said. “He's been our anchor all season long.”

Saturday, however, it was enough for Simpson to watch his team perform well. He hobbled out to the jubilant victory heap as time expired, joining in the festivities until stadium officials ordered the field clear.

“I'm just glad we won,” he smiled.



Carey's Beau Kelsey (48) and an injured Danny Simpson cheer on their team.

## Championship caps Carey's perfect season

By Jeff Rosen  
Times-News writer

**POCATELLO** — Saturday's big 44-42 win avenged much frustration Carey coaches, players and fans have harbored against Deary.

Though the Panthers downed Deary for the title in 1994, the Mustangs beat Carey in the big game in 1993 and 1995.

After trading the No. 1 spot in the state's weekly Associated Press A-4 8-man poll throughout their respective 1998 campaigns, it seemed only fitting these two teams should clash at Holt Arena to decide who's best in 1998.

Deary lost only to Genesee this year. And,

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of course, the Panthers.

Carey, meanwhile, 45-pointed four regular-season opponents (Hansen, Clark Co., Richfield and Castleford), didn't lose a game, then mercifully Wilder in the state semifinals at Holt Arena last week.

Notes: This year's Carey team went undefeated at 11-0, beating Rockland, Wilder and Deary in the postseason to claim the championship. But so did coach Heber Kirkland's 1994 state-champion squad. Is one better than the other? “I don't think you can say,” Kirkland said. “If you win, there's no difference.” Okay, so of the two title victories in.

which Kirkland has coached, which came easier? “I guess this championship was harder to win,” he said. “The last one we won (beating Deary in 1994) 58-36. We were up by almost 40 points at halftime. This one was in doubt.” ... Also in doubt Saturday was whether Kirkland, a senior presence on the Idaho high school athletic circuit, would return for a 20th season as head coach. After watching his team win convincingly Saturday, he seemed to lean towards sticking around at least one more year — Carey fans out-numbered Deary faithful at Holt Arena by 2-to-1. Chalk it up to distance. “It's 570 miles,” nodded Marvin Hansen, father of standout Deary running back Jason Hanson. “Quite a drive.”

## Idaho edges Boise State in OT

The Associated Press

**BOISE** — Senior running back Joel Thomas ran for an overtime touchdown and caught a surprising 2-point conversion pass from freshman quarterback John Welsh on Saturday as Idaho beat Boise State 36-35 and won the Big West Conference championship.

The victory in the second overtime game in a row between the arch-rivals gives the Vandals (9-3 overall, 4-1 Big West) a berth in the Humanitarian Bowl on Dec. 30 in Boise. The Broncos won last year's intrastate grudge match 30-23 in Moscow.

Regulation time ended Saturday with the score tied 28-28 as Welsh made up for two first-quarter interceptions with two fourth-quarter touchdown passes.

Boise State (6-5, 2-3) got the ball first in overtime and scored on Antwan Wilson's 10-yard touchdown reception from sophomore quarterback Bart Hendricks.

On Idaho's possession, Thomas scored from two yards out, and Boise State called timeout as kicker Ben Davis lined up to attempt what would have been the game-tying extra point.

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## SPORTS

## Panthers

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Myers stuffed a crucial 3rd-and-8 running play by the Mustangs, Deary turned over on downs, and Carey ran out the clock.

State championships. "I've never experienced anything like this in my life," Cenarrusa shouted at midfield, shaking his head and clutching a first-place trophy. "All the people here, it's just amazing. And it hasn't even sunk in yet."

As a pile of Carey players celebrated around him, several members of a tear-stricken Deary squad collapsed at midfield. The difference between winning and losing was hardly winning and losing was hardly closer for Carey this year than it was on Saturday.

"This is huge. I love it!" Carey running back Greg Edwards screamed around the field and up into the cavernous Holt Arena stands. "I've got a bunch of family here. Parents, grandparents, I love them. They're great."

Saturday, Edwards was great. The senior rushed 15 times for 103 yards and caught five passes for 102 more, scoring twice.

"I prefer receiving," he said. "There's more open field. Running, you're down there, getting tackled, getting worn out. I'd rather catch the ball."

Off to the side, watching his second No. 1 team work it up, stood Kirkland, the grandfatherly football figure who received hugs and handshakes from his young, other loved ones and friends following the game. It was perhaps the finest but last of his tremendous two-decade Carey career.

"They're already asking about next year," Kirkland said, a slight smile creeping across his face, but he's made no decision yet. "I don't know. Right now, I say I'll probably be back."

The way the game began, observers would never have guessed there'd be such joy in Carey today.

Edwards answered Deary's early touchdown with a 71-yard scoring sprint to tie the game, but the Panthers went three-and-out on their next drive. The Mustangs capitalized on Carey's misfortune, with Hanson running in for two scores.

Cenarrusa galloped to his first rushing touchdown to end the

## Carey, game by game

sions, lead 30-0 after one quarter.

**Aug. 28, 1997**  
**Carey 26, Camas County 14**  
The Panthers came from behind to a 26-20 loss to the Mushers in the first round of the 1997 playoffs.

**Sept. 4, 1998**  
**Carey 58, Hansen 6**  
Carey gains 320 total yards as three different players score touchdowns.

**Sept. 11, 1998**  
**Carey 44, North Gem 16**  
Greg Edwards ran 14 times for 170 yards and Carey scored 24 points in the second quarter.

**Sept. 18, 1998**  
**Carey 44, Shoshone 0**  
Carey holds Shoshone to 28 first-half yards.

**Sept. 30, 1998**  
**Carey 54, Camas County 6**  
Once again, Coach Kirkland's Panthers don't need to play a full four quarters.

**Oct. 9, 1998**  
**Carey 54, Richfield 6**  
Panthers score on first three possessions.

half, but the Panthers looked outgunned. At halftime, they discussed ways to control an obviously explosive Deary offense.

From the start of the game, we knew it would be one of the toughest ones we've played," Cenarrusa said. "We knew we had to score on offense. We wanted to hold them on defense."

Edwards said the halftime mood was anything but dark. "We didn't get our heads down," he said. "We knew we could come back."

Mustang quarterback Funk was yanked late in the second half, having completed just one of 10 tries for 16 yards. Hanson, a 1,700-yard back for Deary this year, split much of Saturday's load with fullback Doug Henderson down the stretch, gaining 145 yards on a workman 27 carries to Henderson's 46.

Deary widened the gap to 30-16 late in the third quarter on Fran Pomme's 24-yard scamper, but Cenarrusa lobbed to Edwards three plays later and launched the comeback.

After those fast and furious

final 12 minutes, the celebration began. Kirkland lauded players like Aaron Ellsworth, "an unsung hero" who played every down of Saturday's game — "offenses, defense, kicks and receiving."

Such experience and versatility played off Saturday.

"These seniors, a lot of them started three years ago as sophomores," Kirkland said. "We had nine injuries that year. These kids just jumped in and stuck with it."

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**Boise State** struck quickly after intermission, marching 84 yards in nine plays and capping the drive with a four-yard scoring run by Hendricks.

On the Broncos' next possession, Hendricks hit wide receiver Corey Nelson on a 60-yard pass to the Idaho 1. But Hurley fumbled the ball away two plays later as he was trying to leap over the goal line.

That led to a nine-play Vandal drive that Thomas concluded with his 44-yard scoring run. Welsh ran in a 2-point conversion to make the score 14-14.

Boise State regained the lead with a rushing drive on the first play scoring dash on the first play of the fourth quarter. But Welsh quickly responded with a 37-yard touchdown pass to sophomore wide receiver Willie Alderson.

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## Slovenian holds off challenges in slalom at World Cup in Park City

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Uroska Hrovat has never enjoyed the long light from Slovenia to the United States. Winning, however, makes it a bit more bearable.

"I don't don't do it," Hrovat said. "Now I change my opinion; it's starting to be nice."

Hrovat continued the best start of her career on Saturday, parlaying a huge first-run margin into victory in a women's World Cup slalom.

Hrovat, the leader by 1.1 seconds after the morning run, prevailed by 38 seconds over Austria's Sabine Egger and Croatian super teen Janica Kostelic, who claimed a spot on the podium in only her fifth World Cup start.

"I waited a long time to start a season well," said Hrovat, fifth in Thursday's giant slalom. "In my career, I never started a season as well as this year."

"I was always better in the last races in World Cup. I thought it

was a great victory for me today. It will make me more confident and powerful."

Hrovat's huge first-run margin was just too much for Egger, who was fifth but 1.48 seconds back. As it was, she skied brilliantly in carving more than a second off the leader's time.

Hrovat's winning total was 1 minute, 36.91 seconds to Egger's 1:37.29. Kostelic finished in 1:37.50.

Egger was thrilled to be on the podium, considering she underwent surgery on her back in April. The operation forced her to adopt a more upright skiing technique.

"I had to train hard," Egger said. "I only started skiing in September. That's why I'm very happy with this result."

Hrovat got her fifth career victory with a solid if unspectacular second run, keeping her skis from danger after Egger and Kostelic had skied on the edge in an effort to catch up.

"After the first run, I just really felt safe," Hrovat said. "I said, 'OK, for the second run, you must come down, you don't need to attack so much,' because I was so much ahead of the others."

"I just said keep it going and it will be enough. Just push, but use your head."

Until Egger came along, it looked as if the 16-year-old Croatian, who started 53rd, run must placed 12th in the morning, might write an improbable chapter in World Cup history. Her time of 46.12 seconds was the fastest of the afternoon run, and she vaulted her nine spots in the standings.

Egger almost matched it with a 46.14-second effort while Hrovat, safely ahead the entire way, needed only 10 seconds to easily make the winner's trophy.

Kostelic, who preferred tennis as a youngster and thinks she was a better handball player than ski, until recently appeared cool amid the uproar over her performance.

## Idaho

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But when the Vandals returned to the field they lined up for a 2-point conversion instead and caught the Broncos unprotected.

Welsh completed a swing pass to Thomas on the left flat and he leaped in unmoored.

Thomas, Idaho's career rushing leader, led the Vandals with 121 yards on the ground, including a 44-yard touchdown run in the third quarter. Boise State got 254 yards rushing and two touchdowns from senior Ernie Hurley, who fell just seven yards short of Cedric Minter's 1978 single-game team record.

Welsh got off to a rocky start for Idaho, throwing interceptions to Dempsey Dees and Damien Schilling early in the game. Todd Belcastro missed a 36-yard field goal attempt after the first turnover but Hurley ran for a 46-yard touchdown after the second.

The score was 7-6 at halftime, when the Vandals scoring on David Field goal of 38 and 37 yards.

Boise State struck quickly after intermission, marching 84 yards in nine plays and capping the drive with a four-yard scoring run by Hendricks.

On the Broncos' next possession, Hendricks hit wide receiver Corey Nelson on a 60-yard pass to the Idaho 1. But Hurley fumbled the ball away two plays later as he was trying to leap over the goal line.

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Ethan Jones for a 75-yard score. But the Broncos retied the game at 28-28 with 6:26 remaining when senior tight end Jim Byrd caught a 2-yard touchdown pass from Hendricks after senior tight end Ron Pound's reception took the ball 57 yards to the Idaho 6.

Idaho's 28-28 tie was the first in the series since 1992. The Vandals had won the last three meetings, including a 34-21 victory in the 1997 season finale.

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## SPORTS

## No. 1, No. 2 meet in Chase final

Graf falls to Davenport; Hingis takes out Spirlea

NEW YORK (AP) — This was for pride more than revenge.

Displaying the game that made her the world's best player, Lindsay Davenport beat Steffi Graf 6-1, 2-6, 6-3 Saturday to advance to the final of the \$2 million Chase Championships.

The victory came six days after Davenport lost to Graf in the title match of a tournament in Philadelphia.

"Last week in Philadelphia she was playing unbelievable," Davenport said. "She made a few more mistakes today."

In the final, Davenport will face the teenager she replaced at the top of the rankings, No. 2 Martina Hingis, a 6-2, 7-6 (9-7) winner over Romania's Iana Spirlea.

"I am playing for my pride," Hingis said.

Spirlea, like Graf, was unseeded in this 16-player, season-ending tournament at Madison Square Garden.

Sunday's finale will be a best-of-5, the only time women play more than three sets. The winner will collect \$500,000, with \$250,000 going to the losing finalist.

The first semifinal was a battle of wills as much as forehands, and Davenport proved just as tough in both. She played mostly to Graf's backhand, daring her opponent to come up with a winning solution.

Graf was the crowd favorite until nearly the last game of the match. It made no difference to the U.S. Open champion, who finally won them over with gutsy play and big strokes.

Whenever Graf seemed to gain the upper hand, Davenport would come back with yet another winner. She finally got the crowd cheering for her on the second point of the final game when, after making several off-balance shots to stay in the point, she won with a sharply angled crosscourt forehand.

That made it 15-all, and Graf won only one more point in the match.

"We were both trying to hold our serves at the end," Davenport said. "I just was able to hold mine a little more."

Graf broke Davenport in the opening game. But any thoughts of a romp by the German were quickly dispelled when Davenport broke right back, aided by Graf's double fault.

Graf has won five of these season-ending tournaments, so she is not about to fold when pressured. Even in the sixth game, trailing 5-1, she fought back to deuce before the



Top-seeded Lindsay Davenport returns a ball to Steffi Graf during her 6-1, 2-6, 6-3 defeat of Graf in the semifinals of the Chase Championships Saturday at Madison Square Garden in New York.

California held to close the opening set.

After Graf held at love to lead 5-2 in the second set, Davenport took a three-minute medical timeout. As a trainer treated a blister on Davenport's left foot, Graf took advantage of the stoppage to leave the court.

When play resumed, Davenport lost her serve for the second straight time as Graf wrapped up the second set to even the match. Following the sixth game of the final set, Graf called for the trainer, who worked on her right hamstring, wrapping the thigh.

## Yankees sale appears imminent

Report says deal is 'close to handshake'

NEW YORK (AP) — Twenty-five years after George Steinbrenner and a group of investors purchased the New York Yankees for \$10 million, he appears close to selling the team for a record price. Speculation grew Saturday that Steinbrenner was nearing a deal with Cablevision television network, which would pay more than \$600 million for the World Series champions. Steinbrenner would continue to run the team.

This would be the second highest price ever for a sports franchise, behind the pending \$1.1 billion sale of the English soccer team Manchester United to Rupert Murdoch.

An expansion NFL Cleveland Browns franchise was awarded to Alfred Lerner for \$530 million last month and the record price for a baseball franchise is the \$350 million Murdoch paid for the Los Angeles Dodgers this year.

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A spokesman for Cablevision, which may purchase the Yankees

Although a sale is not imminent, Steinbrenner's ongoing talks with Cablevision apparently have heated up.

"As far as I know there's nothing that's been signed," a lawyer involved with the team told The New York Times. "But they are probably close to a handshake. It's very, very warm."

Cablevision already owns Madison Square Garden and the New York Knicks and New York Rangers. The purchase of the Garden and its properties included MSG Network, which paid the

Yankees \$486 million over 12 years for broadcast rights.

"Cablevision has enjoyed a long relationship with the New York Yankees," a spokesman for the network said. "We talk with Mr. Steinbrenner all the time. We maintain an active interest in the future of our relationship with the Yankees."

Steinbrenner met for two days in Cleveland with his limited partners to brief them on a potential sale. "He hasn't finalized it yet," another associate said of Steinbrenner. "There are a few things he has to work out," he said, but added the deal probably will be completed.

Steinbrenner owns 60 percent of the Yankees and in the proposed deal, he would sell "a significant portion" of that share. Some of the limited partners also would sell shares, but others would retain interests.

"We discussed the possibilities before us, and we have several," Steinbrenner said.

## Mayfield wins pole for final NASCAR race

MOTEGI, Japan (AP) — It took a track record to do it, but Jeremy Mayfield outraced Winston Cup champion Jeff Gordon, and had the pole today for the \$1 million NASCAR Thunder Special Coca-Cola 500 exhibition race.

Mayfield used a qualifying lap of 158.799 mph in a Ford — covering the 1 1/2-mile Twin Ring Motegi track in 35.116 seconds — to edge Gordon by six-thousandths of a second in qualifying, which was scheduled to end late Saturday night.

It will be the second pole start this year for the 29-year-old Mayfield, who finished ninth in the Winston Cup standings.

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## Plenty of work remains before lockout is settled

NEW YORK (AP) — A day after finally getting somewhere, the opposing sides in the NBA lockout dealt Saturday with the realization that plenty of work remains to be done.

More than 120 players held a conference call and were told that the owners had heeded the union's call for compromise bargaining. But the sides are at odds over numerous issues that won't be settled easily.

"Our best offer and their best offer are not matching, and that means there's still a pretty big gap between us. And that's going to be a problem," commissioner David Stern said. "It's really quite a hill that we have to climb."

An exact date for a resumption of talks has not yet been set, but a meeting should take place early in the week.

The owners also spent the day assessing the compromises discussed during an all-day bargain-ing session Friday that both sides agreed was their most productive to date. Each side gave ground on the percentage of revenues they are seeking and the rules dealing with the establishment of an escrow tax that might be levied on player salaries.

Some of the progress could be measured in body language. As owners, players and lawyers milled around after dinner, they spoke casually to each other, joked around and seemed far more at ease than in past negotiating sessions.

"How was your steak and lobster?" Antonio Davis of the Pacers

## Day 144

A look at the NBA lockout through Saturday.

**Total days missed: 19.**

**Games lost: Saturday: 10.**

**Total games missed: 140.**

**Earliest estimated start: 10 a.m. Dec. 22.**

**Negotiations:**

The sides held their most productive meet-

ing to date on Friday. Talks should resume early next week.

**Projected players salary losses: \$298 million.**

**Today's best canceled game: Denver at Los Angeles Lakers.**

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# Wildcats fullback battles cancer again

EVANSTON, Ill. (AP) — Matt Hartl has his good days, when he seems like any other North-western student, greeting friends as he walks on campus, joking with his football teammates as they head to practice.

And he has his bad days, too, when the chemotherapy that's supposed to kill the cancer inside him makes him sick and weak and weary of it all. It's on those bad days that he wrestles with the questions he knows no one can answer.

"People ask me, 'Do you think everything happens for a reason?'" he said. "I really don't know. Sometimes you think everything does happen for a reason. But then you're like, 'It happened to me the first time, then my mother passes away and then I get the cancer again.'"

"I don't know why's up above controlling everything, but why me?" he asked calmly, without a trace of bitterness. "And how much do I have to go through to prove that I deserve to be on this earth?"

Hartl's life the past 2 1/2 years has been like something out of a Greek tragedy.

As a redshirt freshman, he was the starting fullback on Northwestern's 1995 miracle team that went to the Rose Bowl. Within a few months, doctors had discovered a tumor in his chest and diagnosed him with Hodgkin's disease, the same cancer his mother, Eleanor, had beaten more than 20 years earlier.

"One thing the doctors told my wife is your kids will never get this, it's not a hereditary cancer," said Hartl's father, Bill. "It's just a funny thing."

He sat out the 1996 football season while he underwent chemotherapy and radiation, but at his mother's insistence, stayed at Northwestern and continued classes instead of returning home to Denver. Because she knew



Northwestern football player Matt Hartl is shown in the stands at Ryan Field on the university's campus Tuesday in Evanston, Ill.

exactly what he was going through, it was his mother he leaned on for support, encouragement and reassurance.

But in May 1997, just when he was finally in remission and regaining his strength, Eleanor Hartl died of heart failure, a result of radiation treatments she'd undergone 26 years before to cure her cancer.

"In this year's Northwestern football media guide, the players are asked what they'd like to ask God. Hartl's answer: 'To bring my mother back.'"

"I try not to think about it," he said, his voice growing husky. "I think about her all the time, but then I miss her so much, it's kind of hard to dwell on the fact that she's gone."

Hartl returned to football last season, a way to celebrate life and his victory over cancer. But this past June, he felt the tell-tale shortness of breath and rac-

ing of his heart.

The cancer was back. "I thought I had beat it. I thought it was out of my life," he said. "Then I go in to see the doctors and it's like, 'Well, it's back.' It's a sinking feeling, and you really don't know what to do with yourself."

For a family still dealing with Eleanor Hartl's death, it was almost too much to bear. "Heartbroken... I couldn't believe it was happening again," Bill Hartl said. "The hardest part of the whole thing is you can't do anything about it... I just sit and say, 'Why? Why?' or 'Why Matt?'"

It wasn't just his family who was devastated by the news. His openness about his battle two years ago and his mother's death had touched everyone at Northwestern.

That he could be sick again seemed too cruel. "It took me probably about a minute to say, 'I cannot believe this.' And then it was, 'What do we have to do?'" coach Gary Barnett said. "We just said, 'Hey, we've done this before. We know what we've got to go through and we'll get it.'"

He began treatment again in June, undergoing chemotherapy for a week once every month. When his hair began falling out, he shaved his head. His clothes looked baggy because of the weight he lost.

But once again, rather than go home, he stayed at Northwestern. He wanted to be with doctors he already knew. And without his mother to encourage him this time, the support of his coaches and teammates is even more important.

His attitude is impressive. He went to his job, playing, he went to training camp with his teammates and is at every game. He's upbeat and open, even cracking jokes about losing his hair, and he refuses to feel sorry for himself.

Still, going through this again without his mom is hard.

"If she hadn't been there the first time, I don't know where I'd be today," he said. "I just think about the things she would say to me before and know she'd say the exact same things."

## 'Pepe Plunge' sends Temple soaring high

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Temple coach John Chaney finally got interested sometime between Pepe Sanchez's three straight foul shots with 56 seconds left and the last two when the clock read 0.5.

Even for Chaney, who sometimes acts as though he has the worst team in basketball history, the seventh-ranked Owls' amazing comeback for a 60-59 victory over No. 5 Michigan State on Friday night was uncharted territory.

"I just don't know how they do it," Chaney said. "This has been three games in a row now. ... They just don't quit. And they've shown me that in the last three games."

"That's about the only redeeming factor about this. They've been there before, and they don't believe that they can lose. I don't know why. That's a lot of Tynel that I've got to take."

After Michigan State (21) beat the Owls in nearly every way for 39 minutes, 59 1/2 seconds, Sanchez had two free throws with 0.5 seconds left and the Spartans leading 59-58. With two flicks of the wrist, Sanchez proved that even in the infamy of this season, Temple (4-0) may be touched by something special.

"The only thing that is good for us is that last year we were down by 10 points and we never, ever recovered from that," Sanchez said. "This year we did four times already, three times. So at least we know that we can recover from losing."

The Owls came back from a 15-

point deficit in the first half to beat Wake Forest in the second game of the season. They were down 5-0 on Wednesday night before beating Mississippi by 16.

This comeback had a little bit of everything — an airball that Lamont Barnes turned into a dunk, Sanchez getting fouled on a 3-pointer and hitting three foul shots with 56 seconds to play and Sanchez losing super-quick Mateen Cleaves and getting fouled to set up the winning free throws.

It ended with a "Pepe Plunge" when Sanchez sank the tying and winning shots, then fell backward in ecstasy and exhaustion as hundreds of fans stormed the court as if it were March instead of November.

Sanchez scored nine of his 11 points in the final 2:07, the last two free throws giving Temple its first six wins since 2-4 on Feb. 24.

"We did deserve to win the game for 55 minutes," Michigan State coach Tom Izzo said. "We didn't deserve to win the game for five minutes."

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Section D

## Cook a safe bird

### Nutrition experts offer kitchen tips

**Knight Ridder News Service**

WASHINGTON — Here are some tips from nutrition experts and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help you safely enjoy a holiday meal:

#### A gradual thaw

Defrost a frozen turkey in the refrigerator, and allow 24 hours for every 5 pounds of bird. Getting a fresh turkey? Buy it one to two days before you plan to cook it.

#### Clear the decks

Make sure the counter and



cooking equipment — anything that touched the raw turkey — are thoroughly cleaned with hot water and bleach or another disinfectant.

#### Just cook it

Use a conventional meat thermometer — they're more reliable than the "pop-up" kind. Set the oven no lower than 325 degrees, and then cook the turkey to 180 degrees in the inner thigh.

#### The right stuffing

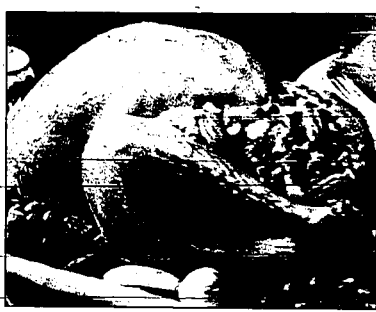
Warm, moist stuffing can be a perfect environment for bacteria. Cook it separately or, if it's in the turkey, make sure the center of the stuffing reaches 165 degrees.

#### Perish the thought

Don't leave perishable foods at room temperature for more than two hours total.

#### Anything left?

Refrigerate leftovers quickly, removing stuffing from the bird. Use leftovers within four days —



Your Thanksgiving turkey's in the oven — or is it?

stuffing within two days — or freeze for later use. For more information, tips and

recipes, call the Butterball Turkey Talk-Line at 1-800-323-4445.

## Prepare gourmet turkey or just basic

**By Susan Selasky**

**Knight Ridder News Service**

Just in time for Thanksgiving, here are some turkey recipes, from basic to gourmet.

#### Perfect Roast Turkey

15- to 18-pound fresh or frozen whole turkey, thawed.

12 cups favorite stuffing.  
4 to 8 tablespoons (1/2 to 1 stick) unsalted butter, softened.  
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste.

1 to 5 cups turkey broth or stock, divided, as needed.

Place the oven rack in the lowest position and preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Remove the turkey neck and giblet packets to use in gravy or stock. Rinse the turkey inside and out with cold water. Pat dry with paper towel.

If desired, loosely fill the neck cavity with stuffing. Using a thin wooden or metal skewer, pin the neck skin to the back. Fold the wing tips behind the back or tie to the body with kitchen string. Loosely fill the body cavity with stuffing. Place any remaining stuffing in a lightly buttered casserole, cover and refrigerate to bake as a side dish.

Secure the drumsticks in the metal clip or tie them together with kitchen string. Place the turkey breast side up, on a rack in a roasting pan. Rub oil over with the softened butter. Season with salt and pepper. Place an oven-safe meat thermometer into the meaty thigh area and above the bone, but not touching the bone. Tightly cover the breast with foil. Pour 2 cups of the turkey stock into the bottom of the pan.

Roast the turkey, basting all over every 30 minutes with the pan juices. Lift up the foil to reach the breast. If pan juices exist, add more turkey stock, about 1 to 1 1/2 cups at a time. Remove the foil during the last hour of roasting to allow the breast to brown. Roast until the internal temperature reaches 180 degrees in the thigh and 170 degrees in the breast and the stuffing has reached 165 degrees. Transfer the turkey to a large serving platter and let stand, covered loosely with foil, for at least 20 minutes before carving.

To cook extra stuffing: Increase the oven temperature to 350 degrees. Drizzle 1/2 cup of the turkey stock over the stuffing in the casserole, cover and bake until heated through, about 30 minutes. Carve the turkey and serve with stuffing alongside. Makes 16 servings.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 490 calories (41 percent from fat), 33 grams fat (13 grams saturated fat), 21 grams carbohydrate, 53 grams protein, 647 mg sodium, 214 mg cholesterol, 87 mg calcium, 1 gram fiber.

—Adapted from "Thanksgiving 101" by Rick Rodgers

#### Roast Turkey with Herbs

4 tablespoons (1/4 cup) butter, softened

2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

2 teaspoons chopped garlic

2 teaspoons chopped fresh thyme

2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary

20- to 22-pound fresh or frozen whole turkey, thawed

Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

4 large plum tomatoes, chopped

1/2 cup canned low-salt chicken broth

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a small bowl, mix together the butter, parsley, garlic, thyme and rosemary.

Rinse the turkey inside and out with cold water; pat dry. Place it on a rack in a large roasting pan. Starting at the neck end, slide your hand between the skin and the breast meat to loosen the skin. Spread the seasoned butter over the breast meat under the skin. Sprinkle the turkey inside

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## SIDE DISHES

### Savory root veggies: A lowfat treat

Everyone's looking for ways to eat less fat, even during the holidays. This dish is savory and satisfying, but has little sugar, salt and fat. It's the perfect side dish for Thanksgiving. It's from Mary Jane Jones, a West Virginia cook who submitted the recipe to Taste of Home magazine.

#### Winter Root Vegetables

2 pounds small red potatoes, quartered

1 pound Brussels sprouts, halved

1/2 pound parsnips, peeled and julienned

1/2 pound carrots, cut into chunks

1/2 pound turnips, peeled and cut into chunks

1/2 cup butter or margarine

2 tablespoons prepared horseradish

2 tablespoons cider vinegar

2 tablespoons snipped fresh dill or 2 teaspoons dill weed

1/2 teaspoon salt, optional

1/4 teaspoon pepper

Cook vegetables separately in water until tender; drain. Melt butter. Stir in remaining ingredients. Combine the vegetables and butter mixture. Toss to coat. Makes 10 to 12 servings.



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Winter Root Vegetables include red potatoes, Brussels sprouts and parsnips in a savory horseradish sauce.

### Cranberries give zing to everything

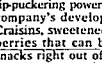
**By Tom Meade**

**The Providence Journal**

Cranberries are popping up everywhere this season. In English muffins and bagels, even in salsa and the wild rice served with wild turkey at El Pico in Johnston.

Ocean Spray has a test kitchen that has found an incredible variety of uses for cranberries simply by adding sweeteners to reduce the fruit's lip-puckering power. One of the company's developments was Craisins, sweetened and dried berries that can be eaten as snacks right out of the bag or used in dishes, such as wild rice, where additional sweetening wouldn't be available. You can freeze them in their plastic packaging, and they will keep for up to a year.

Diana Mordini is a recipe Please see ZING, Page D6



### Campbell's testers create green bean favorite



Photo courtesy Campbell Soup Company

Green Bean Bake is a traditional holiday favorite.

The Green Bean Bake was invented in 1955 by Dorcas Reilly, manager of Campbell's Test Kitchens. It remains one of the country's most requested recipes and is a staple dish at potlucks, family dinners and holidays. According to a national survey by Opinion Research Corporation, more than 20 million Green Bean Bakes will be served on holiday tables this year.

#### Campbell's Green Bean Bake

1 can (10 3/4 ounces)

Campbell's cream of mushroom soup or 98 percent fat-free cream of mushroom soup.

1/2 cup milk

1 teaspoon soy sauce

Dash pepper

4 cups cooked and cut green beans

1 can (2.8 ounces) French's French Fried Onions

In a 1 1/2-quart casserole, mix soup, milk, soy, pepper, beans and 1/2 can onions. Bake at 350 for 25 minutes or until hot. Stir. Sprinkle remaining onions over mixture.

Bake 5 minutes or until onions are golden. Serves 6.

Place in roasting pan. Can be made 6 hours ahead. Cover and chill. Bake squash until filling is heated through, about 25 minutes. Sprinkle with remaining 3 tablespoons cranberries and 3 tablespoons breadcrumbs. Serves 6.

—From Mom's Appetite

#### Spaghetti Squash Salad

2-1/2 cups cooked spaghetti squash

3/4 cup chicken stock

3/4 cup cup-dried tomatoes, without oil

1 cup mushrooms, sliced

1/4 cup onions, chopped

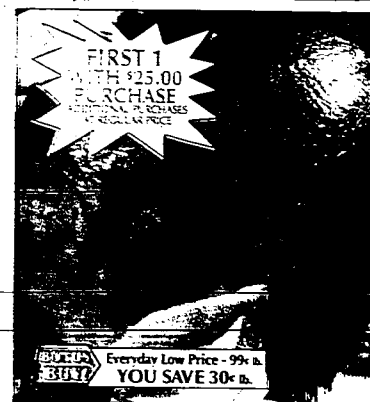
1 clove garlic, minced

2 cup tomatoes, seeded and chopped

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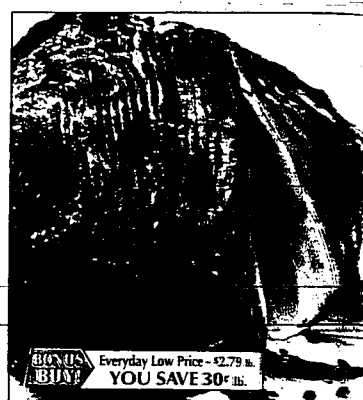
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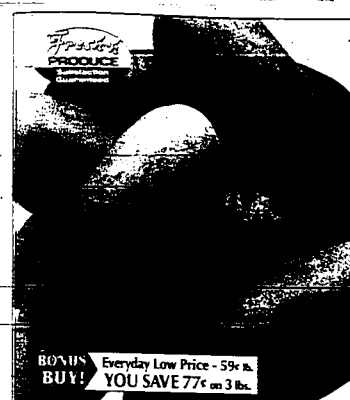
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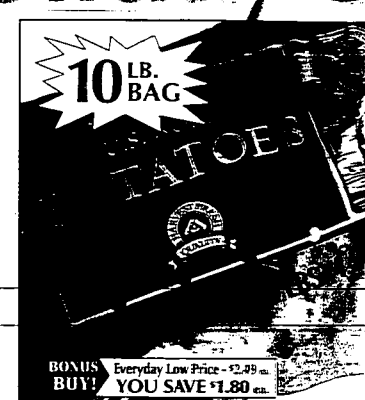
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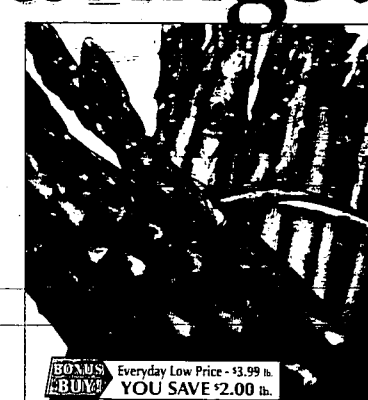
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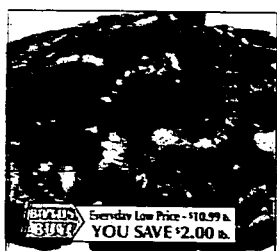
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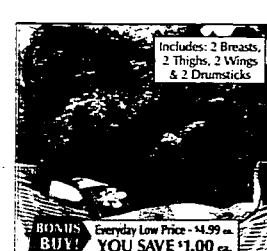
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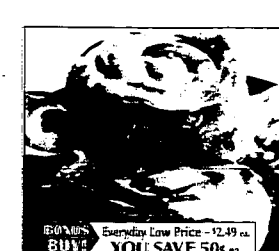
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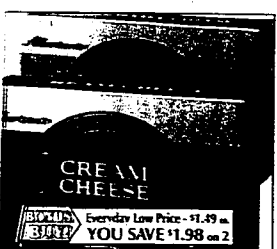
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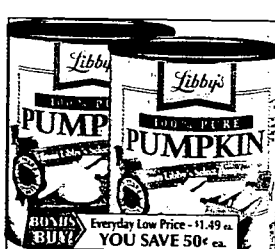
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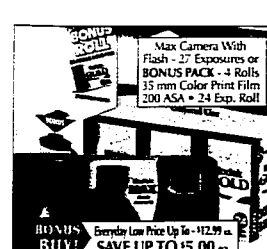
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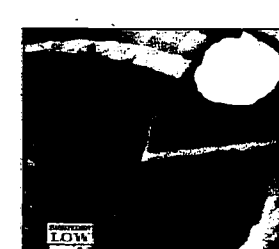
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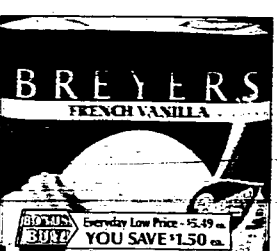
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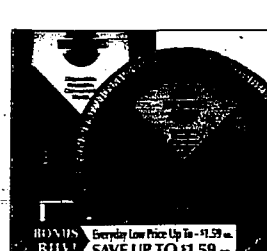
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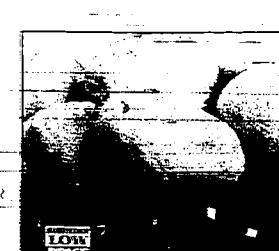


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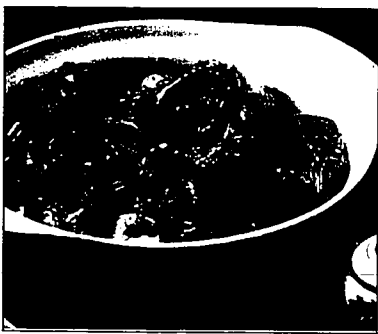
# Sweets for the sweet

## Thanksgiving needs potatoes

Keri Scofield Lawson of Fullerton, Calif., a Taste of Home magazine field editor, created this great holiday casserole, the result of three generations of good cooks.

### Sweet Potato Casserole

1 can (2 pounds 8 ounces) cut sweet potatoes, drained  
1 can (8 ounces) crushed pineapple, drained  
1/2 cup maple syrup  
1/2 cup pecan halves  
1/4 cup sliced dried apricots



This Sweet Potato Casserole features maple syrup, brown sugar, dried apricots and spices.

1/4 cup packed brown sugar  
1 tablespoon butter or margarine, melted  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
Place sweet potatoes in an

ungreased 1 1/2-quart baking dish. Combine remaining ingredients. Pour over the potatoes. Bake, uncovered, at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until heated through. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

## Squash

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1 teaspoon basil  
1/4 teaspoon pepper  
3 tablespoons chopped walnuts  
1 tablespoon grated Parmesan cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. To cook squash, have lengthwise and discard seeds. Place squash, cut side down, in a baking dish. Add 1/2 inch of water. Bake 40-45 minutes, or until squash is tender. Remove squash from water and cool. Remove the spaghetti-like strands by scraping squash with a fork.  
Boil stock in a non-reactive saucepan. Add sun-dried tomatoes. Remove from heat, cover and let stand 10 minutes. Remove tomatoes, coarsely chop and set aside. Add next 3 ingredients to stock and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium, simmer, uncovered, 10 minutes or until liquid is reduced by two-thirds. Combine cooked squash with fresh tomatoes, basil and pepper to taste in a bowl. Add sun-dried tomatoes and mushroom mixture and toss well. Serve sprinkled with walnuts and cheese. Serves 8.

### Kabocha Corn Muffins with Sweet Onions

1 1/2 cups coarse-grind yellow cornmeal  
1/2 cup all-purpose flour  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon chopped fresh sage or 1/2 teaspoon dried sage, crumbled  
1 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary

## Turkey

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and out with salt and pepper. If stuffing the turkey, spoon the stuffing loosely into the main cavity. Tuck the wing tips under the turkey and tie the legs together with kitchen string or secure them with a metal clip.  
Roast the turkey one hour. Add the tomatoes to the pan and roast 1 1/2 hours longer, stirring the tomatoes occasionally. Then pour the chicken broth into the pan and cover the turkey loosely with foil. Roast, basting occasionally with pan juices, until a meat thermometer inserted into the thigh registers 180 degrees, about 1 hour and 50 minutes if unstuffed or 2 hours and 20 minutes if stuffed. Transfer the turkey to a platter. Cover it loosely with foil and let stand for at least 20 minutes before carving. Reserve the pan juices for gravy. Makes 20 servings.

**Nutrition information per serving:** 383 calories (45 percent from fat), 19 grams fat (6 grams saturated fat), 2 grams carbohydrate, 48 mg protein, 144 mg sodium, 146 mg cholesterol, 50 mg calcium, 1 gram fiber.

—From November 1998 Bon Appetit

### Orange-Bourbon Turkey

12-pound fresh or frozen whole turkey, thawed  
2 cups fresh orange juice (about 6 oranges)  
1 cup water  
3/4 cup bourbon, divided  
1/4 cup molasses  
3/4 teaspoon salt, divided  
4 oranges, peeled  
Nonstick vegetable oil cooking spray  
3 tablespoons all-purpose flour  
Orange slices, optional  
Flat-leaf parsley sprigs, optional

Remove the giblets and neck from the turkey; discard. Rinse turkey thoroughly with cold water; pat dry. Combine orange juice, water, 1/2 cup of the bour-

many or 1/4 teaspoon dried rosemary, crumbled  
1 small Vidalia or other sweet onion, finely diced  
2 large eggs  
3/4 cup sour cream or plain yogurt  
4 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted  
1 cup mashed, cooked kabocha or other winter squash  
Preheat the oven to 425 degrees. Butter a 12-cup muffin tin and set aside. In a second bowl, beat the eggs lightly; then stir in the sour cream and melted butter. Whisk in the squash until smooth. Add the squash mixture to the cornmeal mixture and stir to combine fully. Fill the prepared muffin cups 2/3 full with batter. Bake 25 to 30 minutes, or until golden brown and a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Let cool a few minutes, then turn out of the tin and serve hot.

—From "Squash: A Country Garden Cookbook"

### Rum-spiked Butternut Brulee

3 large egg yolks  
1 cup heavy cream  
1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar, plus additional light brown sugar for topping  
1 cup cooked, pureed butternut or butternut squash or pumpkin

bon and the molasses in a 2-gallon, heavy-duty, resealable plastic bag. Add the turkey, seal and marinate in the refrigerator for 4 to 24 hours; turning the bag occasionally. Remove the turkey from the bag; reserve the marinade.  
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Tie the ends of the turkey legs with kitchen string. Tuck the wing tips under the bird. Sprinkle 1/2 teaspoon of the salt into the body cavity. Stuff cavity with the oranges. Place the turkey on a broiler pan coated with cooking spray or on a rack set in a shallow roasting pan. Insert a meat thermometer into the meaty part of the thigh, making sure not to touch bone. Bake for 3 hours or until thermometer registers 180 degrees. (Cover turkey loosely with foil if it gets too brown.) Remove turkey from oven, cover loosely with foil and let stand at least 20 minutes before carving. Discard the oranges. Remove turkey skin before serving.

To make the sauce: Pour the reserved marinade into a saucepan; bring to a boil. Skim the foam from the mixture with a slotted spoon; discard. Reduce the heat to medium; cook until reduced to 3 1/2 cups, about 15 minutes. Combine the remaining 1/4 cup of the bourbon and the flour in a small bowl, whisking well. Add to the reduced marinade; bring the mixture to a boil and cook 1 minute, stirring constantly. Stir in the remaining 1/4 teaspoon of salt. Serve the sauce with the turkey. Garnish with orange slices and parsley sprigs, if desired. Makes 12 servings.

**Nutrition information per serving based on 6-ounce serving with 1/4 cup of sauce:** 305 calories (12 percent from fat), 4 grams fat (1 grams saturated fat), 13 grams carbohydrate, 51 grams protein, 251 mg sodium, 42 mg cholesterol, 54 mg calcium, trace of fiber.

—From November Cooking Light

## Pecans, rum enliven pumpkin pie

By Alicia E. Tossling  
Chicago Tribune

**Q.** A friend of ours used to make a delicious pumpkin pie from a recipe he cut out of the Chicago Tribune about 6 or 7 years ago. He has since passed on and it would be a special gift to all of us who knew this gentleman if we could have that recipe. The filling contained some rum and the crust may have had ground nuts.

**A.** I believe this is the recipe you are looking for, from Montana Street Cafe, which closed in 1993. The nuts are not in the crust but are sprinkled over the top before baking. After retesting the recipe, we wanted a stronger pumpkin flavor, so the pumpkin was increased from 2 1/2 cups to 1 3/4 cups cooked fresh pumpkin or one 15-ounce can of solid pack pumpkin. If you don't want the flavor of rum in your simply leaveth out.

If you want to use a fresh pumpkin, cook it as you would acorn or butternut squash. Start with a small pie pumpkin (also known as sugar pumpkin), about

3 pounds. Bake in a 350-degree oven until tender when pierced with a sharp knife, about 45 minutes. Cool until it's easy to handle, then scoop out the flesh. Discard the shell and allow the pumpkin to cool. I puree mine in a food processor fitted with metal blade.

Canned solid-pack pumpkin is interchangeable with fresh pumpkin. But don't use pumpkin pie filling, which already contains sugar and spices. An easy way out

### Pecan pumpkin pie

Single crust pastry for one 9-inch pie  
1/3 cup sugar  
1/3 cup dark or light corn syrup  
2 tablespoons each: dark rum, unsalted butter  
3 large eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 3/4 cups fresh, cooked pumpkin puree or 1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin  
1/2 teaspoon each, ground: cinnamon, cloves, nutmeg  
1 1/2 cups pecan halves

Sweetened whipped cream  
Roll pastry dough to fit 9-inch pie plate. Fit into pan; crimp edges. Refrigerate while preparing filling. Heat oven to 300 degrees.

Put sugar in heavy saucepan. Cook, stirring frequently, over medium heat, until sugar melts and turns medium-brown, about 10 minutes. Add corn syrup; mix until solidify briefly but keep stirring until it melts and becomes smooth, 5 to 7 minutes. Mix in rum and butter; cook 1 minute. Remove from heat; let cool 2 to 3 minutes.

Mix eggs, vanilla and salt in large bowl. Slowly whisk in hot syrup mixture. Combine pumpkin, cinnamon, cloves and nutmeg in medium bowl. Add 1 1/4 cups of the syrup mixture to pumpkin mixture. Pour into pie shell. Arrange nuts over top; drizzle remaining syrup mixture over pecans.

Bake until filling is set and knife inserted in center comes out clean, 55 to 65 minutes. Cool on wire rack. Serve with sweetened whipped cream.

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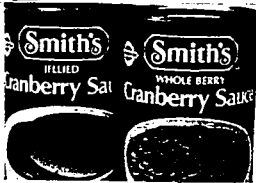


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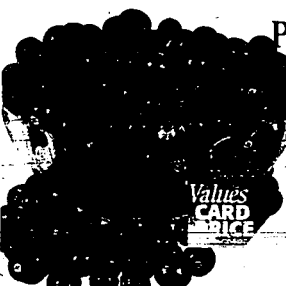


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# HOLIDAY FOOD



The stuffing can make all the difference in the traditional Thanksgiving meal.

## Spicy Thanksgiving stuffing

By Linda Cicero  
Knight Ridder News Service

Q: Recently a Portuguese chef and his mother were on the "Resie O'Donnell Show." They made kerdine (or cardine) soup and chorizo dressing. My mother made this soup and also the dressing for stuffing turkey when I was a kid. I would love to have the dressing recipe before Thanksgiving.

A: This stuffing recipe is from a Miami friend whose mother was Portuguese and father was Cuban, and may be similar to what you remember. She says her mother basically used the same ingredients with a bread-cube stuffing, a rice stuffing or a mashed potato stuffing. She was not sure whether the recipe was traditionally Portuguese or had

evolved through cultural blending. The recipe makes enough stuffing for a chicken or duck for a turkey, you'll need to double or quadruple the ingredients, depending upon the size of the bird. I could not find the Portuguese ingredients where I live, but my friend assures me any garlic-flavored smoked sausage is fine, and while American-style ham is not as musky as the Portuguese, it is an acceptable substitute.

**Chorizo Stuffing**  
2 tablespoons lard (traditional)

or vegetable oil  
2 cloves garlic, mashed  
1/4 pound Portuguese linguica or chorizo sausage, sliced 1/8-inch thick  
1 medium onion, finely chopped  
4 ounces Portuguese presunto ham, prosciutto or other ham, cut into small chunks  
4 cups stale bread cubes  
2 cups cooked rice or 2 cups cooked mashed potatoes  
1 bunch finely chopped cilantro or parsley  
Juice of 1 lime  
In a heavy skillet melt the lard

over high heat. Reduce heat to medium, add the garlic, chorizo and onion and cook, stirring, until the onion is lightly browned.

Stir in the ham, bread cubes and rice or potatoes. Use a fork to stir in the cilantro and lime juice.

Spoon into chicken or duck and bake as you would a traditional stuffing, or spoon into a casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes, or until heated through.

Makes 4 servings.

Per serving: 422 calories, 18 grams protein, 45 grams carbohydrate, 19 grams fat, 40 percent calories as fat, 2.7 grams fiber, 43 milligrams cholesterol, 1,019 milligrams sodium.

## Zing

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development associate in Ocean Spray's test kitchen, where she tries cranberries in everything from appetizers to desserts. On a blustery autumn day last month, she served a lunch on the edge of one of Clark Griffith's bays. Everything contained cranberries.

The main dish was chicken tenders with cranberry and mustard sauce, served with wild rice with cranberries and caramelized onions.

Those recipes and others are available on the Web site. Visit The Times-News Online's News-Link page at <http://www.magicvalley.com>. Or call the Ocean Spray consumer helpline at 1-800-662-3263.

with flour; shake off excess. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper.

Heat 1 tablespoon of butter and oil in a large skillet. Add half the chicken; cook about 2 minutes, turning once until chicken is golden brown on each side and cooked through.

Add more butter and oil if needed. Remove to a platter; keep warm. Repeat with remaining chicken. Add wine, chicken broth and mustard to skillet, scraping up browned bits. Combine cornstarch and water in a small bowl.

Stir into skillet. Add dried cranberries. Boil 1 to 2 minutes or until sauce thickens. Stir in green onions; cook 1 more minute. Pour sauce over chicken. Makes 3 servings.

## Tex-Mex Cranberry Salsa

16-ounce can whole berry cranberry sauce  
1/4 cup canned jalapenos, chopped  
1 green onion, sliced  
1 teaspoon dried cilantro  
1 teaspoon ground cumin  
1 teaspoon lime juice  
Combine all ingredients in a medium mixing bowl. Serve with nacho chips or as a condiment for poultry or pork. Makes about 2 cups.

## Wild Rice with Cranberries and Caramelized Onions

2 cups chicken broth  
1/2 cup brown rice  
1/2 cup wild rice  
3 tablespoons butter or margarine  
3 medium onions, sliced into thin wedges  
2 teaspoons brown sugar  
1 cup Craisins (sweetened dried cranberries)  
1/2 teaspoon finely grated orange zest

Combine chicken broth and both rices in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat. Reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer 45 minutes or until rice is tender and the liquid is absorbed. Meanwhile, melt butter in a medium skillet over medium-high heat.

Add onions and brown sugar. Cook 6 minutes or until liquid is absorbed and onions are soft and translucent. Reduce heat to low. Slowly cook onions, stirring often for 25 minutes or until they are caramelized.

Stir in dried cranberries. Cover and cook over low heat for 10 minutes or until cranberries soften. Gently fold cranberry mixture and orange zest into cooked rice.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

## Gingerbread with Warm Cranberry Compote

14.5-ounce package gingerbread cake mix  
2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries

3 cups pineapple chunks, cut in half  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
Whipped cream

Prepare gingerbread as directed on package. Cool completely. Combine remaining ingredients, except whipped cream, in a medium saucepan.

Bring mixture to a boil and cook just until the cranberries begin to pop, stirring frequently. Cool sauce slightly. Spoon warm compote over each serving of gingerbread.

Top with whipped cream. Makes 9 servings.

## Cranberry Almond Bread

2 cups flour  
1/2 cup sugar  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 egg  
1/4 cup milk  
1/2 cup butter, melted  
2 teaspoons almond extract  
1 1/2 cups fresh or frozen cranberries

1 tablespoon sugar  
1/4 cup sliced almonds  
Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Grease an 8 1/2-by-4 1/2-by-2-inch loaf pan. Combine flour, sugar, baking powder and salt in a medium mixing bowl.

Set aside. Combine egg, milk, butter, almond extract and cranberries in a medium mixing bowl. Add to dry ingredients, mixing just until the dry ingredients are moist. Spread batter in loaf pan. Sprinkle with sugar and almonds. Bake for 45 minutes.

Reduce heat to 350 degrees. Bake for 30 minutes, until a toothpick inserted into center of loaf comes out clean. Makes one loaf.

## Chicken Tenderloins with Cranberry Mustard Sauce

1 pound chicken tenderloins  
Flour  
Salt and pepper  
2 tablespoons butter  
2 tablespoons oil  
2/3 cup dry white wine  
2/3 cup chicken broth  
3 tablespoons country-style Dijon mustard  
1 1/2 teaspoons cornstarch  
1 1/2 tablespoons water  
1/2 cup Craisins (sweetened dried cranberries)  
1/4 cup sliced green onions, green part only  
Lightly toss chicken pieces

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## Guard silverware from air to keep the sparkle

By Leslie Weddell  
The Gazette

If you're like most people, your silver sits in the cupboard most of the year, making guest appearances for holiday dinners or formal occasions.

Chances are, when it does appear — usually a few hours before it's due on the table — it has signs of tarnish: a slight yellowing if you're somewhat diligent about cleaning it, pitch black if you're not.

No matter what you do, silver tarnishes after exposure to air. Sulfur in the air causes the tarnish — or oxidation. In oxidation's early stages, the tarnish is amber-yellow. As it progresses, the tarnish turns dark brown, then black. The darker the tarnish, the more it eats away at the silver.

"Don't let the silver go to black or you're stuck with commercial cleaning," says Rick Devlin, who works with silver for 15 years and owns Off Bijou Silver. Tarnish must be removed; it can't be silver-plated. But frequently polishing silver-plated pieces may cause the finish to rub off, especially on high points.

### Keeping the shine

- Don't wrap silver in newspaper or rubber bands, both of which contain carbon. Carbon reacts with the silver and turns it black and eats into the surface if left on the piece.
- Wash silver that has come into contact with mustard, salt or ketchup right away to prevent pitting and tarnishing.
- Store silver in plastic or flannel anti-tarnish bags to help retard tarnish.

"If you polish your silver plate hard every year, in 10 or 15 down the road you're going to see through it," says Charles Lamoreaux, who has worked at Sutton-Hoo Jewellers in Colorado Springs, Colo., for 27 years.

To prevent tarnish, proper silver storage is the key, experts say. "The more you can protect silver from the air, the better it will be," says Mark Abernethy, co-owner of Precious Metals Plating Services, a Colorado Springs area business.

Some options these experts suggest include:

- Put strips of chemically treated cloths, available from jewelers, in the cabinet with the silver.
- Place mothballs in an enclosed cabinet with the silver.
- Wrap silver in plastic — small pieces in bags that zip, larger pieces with sheets of plastic. Tarnish sometimes may develop where the plastic touched silver. Anti-tarnish flannel bags are available at jewelers stores.

Once tarnish develops, clean it with an old cotton T-shirt or a soft cotton diaper. Don't use paper towels; their wood fibers can scratch silver. Devlin prefers muslin — which comes in a variety of grades — to put a high buff on silver.

Toothbrush bristles can leave scratches. The old home lore about rubbing salt on tarnish before washing and polishing makes purists cringe, again because of the scratching.

When cleaning silver, use a non-abrasive cleaner. If using a paste, Abernethy recommends rubbing some between your fingertips. If you detect any graininess, don't use it.

Several experts recommend using car-care products on silver,

including some liquids and pastes used for polishing chrome on cars and motorcycles. Another good way to clean silver is with a rouge cloth — a cloth treated with a cleaning chemical. Rouge cloths are available at jewelers and jewelry supply shops.

Don't put silver either sterling or silver plate — in the dishwasher. The bleach in the detergent can dull silver and turn it colors. When cleaning silver teaspoons or coffee spoons, keep the lid closed, advises Lamoreaux.

"Any leverage you put on the lid when it's open hurts the hinges," he says. "The same thing with the arms on candleabras. When you push in the candle, hold the cup; support it with your hand. Otherwise you're putting leverage on the arm."

The two pieces he repairs the most are the hinges on tea and coffee pot lids and candleabras arms.

Replating is only done on silver plate, not sterling silver. (To restore luster of sterling, clean and polish it well.) Replating can be very expensive, because most jobs are based on the square inch.

## Low-fat muffins tempt holiday tastebuds

### Cranberry, Apricot, Walnut Stuffing Muffins

- 1 (12-ounce) box seasoned corn bread stuffing mix
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 large yellow onion, chopped (1 1/2 cups)
- 3 cloves garlic, crushed
- 2 stalks celery, chopped (1 cup)
- 1/2 cup fresh chopped parsley
- 1 small tart apple, cored and chopped
- 1 (12-ounce) jar turkey gravy
- 1/2 cup sweetened dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts
- 1/4 cup chopped dried apricots
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon rubbed sage
- 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
- 1 egg white
- 3/4 cup water

Empty the stuffing mix into a large mixing bowl. Coat two mini-muffin pans (12 muffins each) with

olive oil cooking spray. Set aside.

Heat oven to 350F. In a large skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic, celery, parsley and apple, and cook until the vegetables and apple are soft. Add to the stuffing and stir well.

Stir in the turkey gravy, cranberries, walnuts, apricots, raisins, sage, thyme, egg white and enough of the

water to make the stuffing damp enough to stick together, but not soggy. Using a 1/4-cup measuring cup, mold the stuffing into balls and place each ball in the cup of the mini-muffin pan. Bake 30 minutes, until muffins are brown on top. Allow to cool slightly, then use the tip of a knife to loosen muffins from pan. Remove and serve hot. Makes 25 muffins.

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# Pumpkin a la can

## No need to scrape your gourd for great desserts

By Cathy Thomas  
The Orange County Register

Purists argue the merits of making fresh pumpkin puree from scratch. Scooping out seeds and oh-so-sticky membranes. Baking and cooling. Scraping and mashing.

Until I refuse to feel guilty about using pumpkin a la can. It saves a lot of kitchen time. "Busy" takes on a whole new meaning during the holiday season, and frankly, I take every baking shortcut I can, as long as it doesn't sacrifice flavor or appearance.

For me, those tins of solid-pack pumpkin are symbols of the season. I line them up on the counter so that I can see the pies depicted on their labels. In the pictures, the pumpkin is as smooth as glass, a quiet burnt-orange tale. The impeccable crimped crust is uniformly browned. The swirl of whipped cream sings perfection. My mouth waters. I hum holiday tunes.

### Pumpkin pie — Shortcuts to glamour

Save time by using refrigerated, ready-to-use pie crusts. They are usually packaged two to a box in a 15-ounce package. Use one crust to line a 9-inch pie pan. Use the other crust in two ways. Tuck small strips under the edge of the crust as needed to create a high ridge before crimping. And use crust cutouts as a garnish cut small free-form shapes, such as leaves or pumpkins, using a sharp, small knife. Or use small cookie cutters. Use the back of a knife to create details, such as veins in leaves or ridges in pumpkins, pressing down just hard enough to create a mark. Bake until nicely browned on a non-stick baking sheet. Cool and place on the baked, cooled pie.

And there's a simple solution to eliminating a soggy bottom crust: Partially bake the crust for

a few minutes without any filling, then cool it and brush it with apricot jam. The jam forms a waterproof seal, plus adds a complementary fruity flavor.

To prevent an over-tasted, charcoal-colored edge on the crust (caused by the long baking time required to cook the pumpkin filling), cover the exposed part of the crust with strips of aluminum foil after 20 minutes of baking.

I love the crunchy texture and eye appeal that a praline-topping gives to pumpkin pie. It takes only a minute to mix together some brown sugar, nuts and butter. And in less than a minute zapped under the broiler, it's bubbled its way to praline heaven.

A delicious praline topping is also crunchy on warm pumpkin muffins. Read on...

### Pumpkin for breakfast, tea time or dessert

Warm pumpkin muffins topped with a crunchy nut topping are wonderful for holiday breakfast or a midday snack with hot tea. They also make a great dessert served piping hot, cut into fourths and topped with French vanilla or pumpkin ice cream. To reheat muffins in the microwave, remove foil cup liner (if used), place on microwave-safe plate and microwave on high power, uncovered, about 10-20 seconds (for one or two muffins) or about 30-60 seconds (for four muffins).

### Pumpkin Log:

#### A make-ahead beauty

This cake, a spicy pumpkin, nut-coated jellyroll unfurled around a cream-cheese filling, is delectable and handsome. But best of all, it can be prepared in advance. Either refrigerate it for up to two days, well-sealed, or enclose it in plastic wrap and alu-

minum foil, and freeze. Defrost overnight in the refrigerator.

The trick to making jellyroll cut correctly is to allow them to cool in a sugar-coated kitchen towel, rolled into the desired shape. Once the cake cooks for an hour, unroll, fill and roll up again. Use the kitchen towel as an aid to help roll it up. Thoroughly chill before cutting.

Here's the recipe breakdown: Substitute made-from-scratch pumpkin if you like.

### Pumpkin Pie with Praline Topping

#### FOR THE PIE:

- 2 refrigerated pie crusts (one 15-ounce package)
- 1 1/2 tablespoons apricot jam
- 1 cup plus 1 tablespoon canned solid-pack pumpkin
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 3/4 cup whipping cream
- 6 tablespoons milk
- 2 large eggs, beaten
- Optional: 1 tablespoon dark rum
- 1 1/4 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice

#### FOR THE PRALINE TOPPING:

- 1/2 cup packed golden brown sugar
  - 2 tablespoons butter, melted
  - 1/2 cup chopped pecans
  - For serving: whipped cream
- Adjust oven rack to middle position. Preheat oven to 450 degrees.
- You will probably have a little dough left over. Cut it into strips, spread with a little butter and top with a mixture of sugar and ground cinnamon. Roll strips up, place on baking sheet and bake in a 350-degree oven until nicely browned. Enjoy a snack while the pie is cooling.
- Place 1 pie crust in a 9-inch pie pan. Ease it in gently, pushing it down at the bottom and sides; if needed, press cracks (created in

package from folding) together. Don't stretch crust, or it will shrink when baked.

Fold edge under to make a pointed mound at the edge of the pan. If you run short on dough, cut some from the remaining circle of dough and tuck it under the edge. Crimp to create a thick ridge. Pierce crust several times with a fork.

Bake in center of preheated oven 9-11 minutes. Cool on rack. Reduce oven temperature to 400 degrees.

While crust is cooling, combine and whisk for small pumpkins) from remaining dough using a small, sharp knife. To desired, make veins or leaves with the back of the knife. Place on a nonstick baking pan. Bake until lightly browned, about 2-3 minutes, depending on their size. Set aside to cool.

Brush cooled baked crust with jam (strain jam if you like, but small chunks of apricot pose no problem). Whisk pumpkin, sugar, cream, milk, eggs, rum (if using) and spice until well-blended. Pour into pie crust. Place pie on jellyroll pan or baking sheet. Bake 20 minutes in preheated oven.

Remove pie from oven and place 4-inch strips of aluminum foil on exposed crust to prevent it from over-browning. Reduce oven temperature to 350, bake 45 minutes. Meanwhile, combine brown sugar, melted butter and pecans in a small bowl. Remove pie from oven and move rack to a position 8-10 inches below the broiler.

Sprinkle pecan mixture over pie. Place under broiler until top pings bubble. Watch closely; it usually takes 45 seconds to 1 minute. Cool at least one hour. Garnish by placing dough leaves and twigs on top of filling.

Cut into wedges. Yield: 8 servings

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SOURCES: Money.com; National Turkey Federation

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## Ladle on this gravy recipe to top feast

By Sue Selasky  
Knight Rider News Service

Slices of turkey breast without a ladleful or two of gravy? Plain as Jane. A mound of mashed potatoes without a puddle of gravy? Naked as a jaybird. It wouldn't be Thanksgiving without a gravy boat brimming with rich, brown liquid made from the pan drippings. But what are the secrets to making this silky accompaniment smooth and lump-free?

We'll guide you through the basics with advice from Somerset Inn executive chef Mark Kuzma, who calls Thanksgiving dinner his favorite meal, and from Rick Rodgers' "Thanksgiving 101."

### What do I need to make a basic pan gravy?

For starters, you'll need the drippings that collect in the roasting pan. If there aren't enough — a rare occurrence — use turkey or chicken stock to supplement them. You'll also use the little brown bits stuck to the bottom of the pan. The endeavor and can be strained at the end. You'll also use the fat you've skimmed from the pan drippings, or butter, if needed. For thickening the gravy, you'll need flour or a mixture of equal amounts of cornstarch and water. And you'll season it all with salt and pepper.

### What's the secret to a rich, deep-brown gravy?

The pan juices caramelize as they collect during roasting. That gives the gravy depth, richness and a nice brown color. If needed, you can use Kitchen Bouquet, a bottled seasoning, to deepen the hue.

### What amount of pan drippings works best?

That's hard to say. The amount that accumulates will depend on the turkey size and whether any other liquid was used during roasting. The turkey the Free Press used last week weighed about 16 pounds. We supplemented the pan juices with about 1 1/2 cups of turkey stock during roasting. When combined with additional stock, the skimmed fat from the drippings, we ended up with about 6 cups of gravy. Keep an eye on the pan juices when you periodically check the turkey during roasting. If they seem to be drying up, add stock, wine or water so the juices won't burn.

### How do I degrease the pan juices?

After you've removed the turkey from the pan, pour the drippings into a bowl or glass measuring cup. Let stand for at least 5 minutes to allow the fat (a yellowish liquid) to rise to the top.

Skim it off with a spoon and set aside. You can supplement the remaining drippings with turkey stock to make more gravy if needed.

### Do I make the gravy in the roasting pan?

Yes. After pouring the pan drippings into the measuring cup, set the pan over two burners on the stove until you're ready to make the gravy.

### Where do I begin?

First, measure out enough of the skimmed fat to correspond with the amount of flour called for in the recipe. Use equal amounts of each. (Rodgers says 1/2 tablespoons of flour and 1/2 tablespoons of fat should be used per cup of liquid.) Turn the burners to low heat.

Add the skimmed fat to the

pan, then whisk in the flour, stirring constantly and scraping up any browned bits from the bottom of the pan. Cook the mixture about 2 minutes. Then whisk in the degreased pan juices, including any stock, if you are using it. Continue to cook, whisking often until the gravy is thickened and lump-free, about 10-15 minutes. Season with salt and pepper. Transfer the mixture to a gravy boat and serve.

### How do I avoid lumps?

Proper whisking should smooth out any lumps. Instead of flour for thickening, Kuzma says a mixture of equal parts cornstarch and water makes a smoother gravy. When adding to the stock or degreased pan juices, whisk it in vigorously. Allow the mixture to cook a while and any lumps will cook out. "Usually, if you see lumps in the gravy, it's not done," Kuzma says. "Allow about 15 minutes for it to cook."

### Do I need to use the pan juices?

No. Kuzma says you can make a turkey stock ahead of time to use as a base for your gravy. You can use a small turkey, turkey parts such as wings or even a whole carcass. Sprinkle the trimmings and carcass with salt and pepper and a little oil and roast in a 375-to-400-degree oven for about a 1/2 hour or until golden brown. Remove and place in a large pot and add chopped carrots, onion, celery, black peppercorns and bay leaves. Add water to cover, bring to a boil and simmer for 2 to 3 hours. Strain the mixture through a sieve, discarding the vegetables, and place the juices back into the pot; continue to simmer about 1 to 1 1/2 hours, or until the mixture is reduced by about one-third.

Another way is to place the turkey parts, vegetables and seasonings in a stockpot. Cover with water, bring to a boil, then reduce the heat and simmer 2 to 3 hours. Strain as above. You also can use a purchased turkey soup base. Bring it to a boil and reduce it by one-third for an intense flavor. Thicken the soup base with about 1 tablespoon cornstarch mixed with 1 tablespoon water. Add some cooked, chopped turkey meat and season as desired.

Here is one gravy recipe:

### Basic Pan Gravy

Pan drippings from the turkey. Melted unsalted butter, if needed.

About 4 cups turkey stock or broth

3/4 cup all-purpose flour

1/4 cup bourbon, port, or dry sherry, optional

Pour the drippings from the roasting pan into a heatproof glass bowl or large measuring cup.

Let stand for 5 minutes, then skim off and reserve the fat that rises to the top.

Mix one cup of the fat, adding the melted butter, if needed. Add enough turkey stock to the skimmed drippings to make 6 cups total. Place the roasting pan over low heat on two burners of the stove and add the skimmed fat.

Whisk in the flour, scraping up the browned bits on the bottom of the pan. Cook until lightly browned, about 2 minutes.

Whisk in the pan drippings mixture and bourbon, if desired. Cook, whisking often, until the gravy has thickened and is lump-free, about 5 minutes. Transfer to a warmed gravy boat and serve. Makes about 6 cups; analysis per 1/3-cup serving.

—From "Thanksgiving 101" by Rick Rodgers

## Easy Broccoli truly lives up to its name

Here's a recipe that makes holiday cooking a breeze.

### Easy Broccoli

- 1 sheet (18-by-24 inches) Reynolds Wrap Heavy Duty Aluminum Foil
- 3 cups broccoli florets
- 1/3 cup Hellmann's or Best Foods Italian dressing or fat-free Italian dressing

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. or preheat grill to medium-high. Center broccoli on sheet of Reynolds Wrap. Drizzle with dressing. Bring up sides of foil and double fold. Double fold ends to form one large foil packet, leaving room for heat circulation inside packet. Bake 12 to 15 minutes on a cookie sheet in oven or grill 6 to 8 minutes in covered grill. Makes 4 servings.



Add an elegant, colorful side dish to holiday meals with this Easy Broccoli.

## Pumpkins work well in praline muffins, too

### Pumpkin Praline Muffins

- 1 1/3 cup golden brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons light sour cream
- 2/3 cup chopped pecans
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
- 3/4 cup buttermilk
- 3/4 cup solid-pack pumpkin
- 2/3 cup golden brown sugar
- 1/3 cup butter, melted

If you are an occasional baker, check the expiration date on your baking powder. If desired, substitute sour milk for buttermilk. To make sour milk, place 1 tablespoon lemon juice or distilled white vinegar in a glass measuring cup; add enough milk to make 1 cup. Let mixture stand 5 minutes. Stir, and use 3/4 cup in this recipe.

Grease 12 to 14 (2 1/2-inch) muffin cups or line with paper or foil bake cups; set aside. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a small mixing bowl, stir together the 1/3 cup brown sugar and the sour cream; stir in pecans and set aside. In a

medium mixing bowl, combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon, baking soda, salt, nutmeg and cloves. Make a well in center of dry mixture. In another medium mixing bowl, combine egg, buttermilk, pumpkin, 2/3 cup golden brown sugar and melted butter. Add pumpkin mixture all at once to the dry mixture. Stir just until moistened (batter should be lumpy). Spoon batter into prepared muffin cups, filling each almost full. Spoon about 2 teaspoons of pecan mixture on top of each muffin. Bake in preheated oven 20-25 minutes or until done. Yield: 12-14 muffins

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## Mushrooms make gravy wild

### Wild Mushroom Gravy

- 1 ounce dried porcini mushrooms (or substitute favorite dried wild mushrooms)
- 1 cup hot water
- 5 tablespoons butter, divided
- 1/4 cup minced onion
- 1/4 cup flour
- 3 cups turkey or chicken stock or broth
- 1/4 cup dry sherry

Place the dried mushrooms in a medium bowl and pour the hot water over them. Let stand about 30 minutes to allow the mushrooms to reconstitute. Strain and reserve 1/4 cup of the liquid. Coarsely chop the mushrooms and set aside. In a small skillet,

melt 1 tablespoon of the butter. Add the mushrooms and onions and saute until onions are slightly golden. Remove from the heat and set aside.

In a medium saucepan, melt the remaining 4 tablespoons of butter, skimming fat from degreased pan juices can be substituted. Whisk in the flour and cook about 2 minutes. Stir in the mushroom mixture. Gradually whisk in the chicken stock, reserved mushroom liquid and sherry. Bring to a boil, stirring constantly until mixture thickens. Transfer to a warmed gravy boat and serve. Makes about 4 cups; analysis per 1/4-cup serving.

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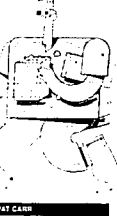
## BizFacts

### Dutch treats

A small country with an active movie industry, Holland is hosting three major film festivals this year. Local facts:

- Number of theaters: 152
- Number of screens: 447
- Box office revenue: 1997: \$116 million

SOURCE: Variety research by PAT CAHO



## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Automated Dairy Systems opens new Jerome facility

**JEROME** — Automated Dairy Systems, a Surge dealership, celebrated its 10-year anniversary with the opening of a new facility.

The new building is larger and closer to the freeway at 1575 So. Lincoln St., the company said. The grand opening was Nov. 12-13, but Automated changed buildings in October.

The grand opening featured informational seminars, door prizes, food and a Surge representative.

Jerry Hedges, president of Automated Dairy Systems, said among the reasons for the new building was an effort to serve the customer better. The building will be a more efficient use of employees and allow the company to have a larger inventory selection.

"We have outgrown our current building," he said. "The dairy industry in Idaho continues to grow and prosper. We are responding to meet their needs."

The building has two loading docks, a special parts/inventory section, chemical mixing area and conference room.

Automated Dairy Systems said it is Idaho's largest dairy equipment distributor. It employs 21 people in Jerome, each of whom are professionals in their different areas of expertise, the company said.

Automated serves the dairyman's needs with new barn construction, service, remodels, scheduled maintenance and sanitation supplies.

### Net revenues for 3 Jackpot resort casinos remain stable

**LAS VEGAS, Nev.** — Net revenues for Ameristar Casinos, Cactus Pete's Resort Casino and Horseshoe Hotel and Casino in Jackpot, Nev. remained relatively stable for the third and nine-month periods in 1997 and 1998.

The Jackpot properties had operating income of \$3.7 million and \$8.2 million respectively for the three and nine months ended Sept. 30, compared to \$3.3 million and \$8.6 million respectively for the corresponding periods in 1997.

The decline in operating income for the nine-month period was the result of slightly higher costs in all areas and a lower table games win percentage, which was partially offset by increased slot revenue.

Ameristar Casino Inc. announced total net revenues of \$69.3 million, income from operations of \$11.2 million, and loss per share of \$0.06 for the three months ended Sept. 30.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, Ameristar net revenues were \$197.5 million, income from operations before prepending costs was \$112.1 million, and loss per share before prepending costs was \$0.15. After the write-off of \$10.6 million in prepending costs — related to the opening of The Reserve Hotel Casino in Las Vegas on Feb. 10, income from operations was \$6.6 million and loss per share was \$0.50 for the nine months ended Sept. 30. For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1997 and net revenues were \$155.6 million.

Ameristar Casinos, a publicly traded company, has 10 owners and operates Ameristar Casino Vicksburg in Vicksburg, Miss., and Ameristar Casino Council Bluffs in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

### Several Twin Falls residents offer pet sitting in the home

**TWIN FALLS** — Pet sitting in the home is the business of some local residents.

Chris Chug said she started her business two years ago after caring for the pets of friends and realizing there was a need. Besides providing care to pets, Chug said she also attends to the owner's plants, gathers mail and can alternate lights.

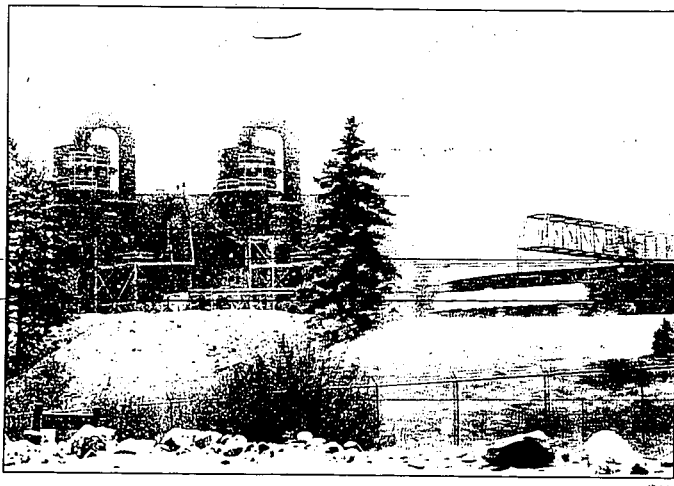
She can be reached at 734-2239.

Ron and Bev Ward have run Four Paws Critter Sitters since June. They said they both love animals and thought the business would keep them busy in their retirement years. They also care of plants, mail and newspapers for vacationing families.

"Their rates are \$7 and \$10 per visit, depending on the customer's location. They work in Twin Falls, Jerome, Elmer and Kimberly and are insured."

For more information call 733-8637.

Compiled from staff reports



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## Bit of Idaho history fades along with dozens of jobs

The Associated Press

**DELAMAR** — Mike Baltor is losing his job, as are most of his co-workers.

Good jobs average wage, \$13 an hour. Jobs some have had most of their lives.

When the Delamar mine in Owyhee County closes in January, about 150 workers like Baltor will face uncertain futures. And a chapter in Idaho history will close.

"It's quite a shock," Baltor said, looking out a window at the Pleasant Valley ranch he rents on the Idaho side of the state line near Jordan Valley, Ore. "I'll do whatever I can to keep my family here. We don't want to live down in the cities with all those people."

The Delamar mine helped build a number of cities in the region. Nampa pioneer W.H. Dewey made a fortune in silver and gold from the Delamar area. So did Boise tycoon Hasea Eastman, Timothy Regan and C.W. Moore, the founder of Idaho First National Bank, later West One.

"A lot of those mansions you see along Warm Springs Avenue," miner Mike Conroy said. "They were built with Delamar and Silver City money."

The 112-year-old Delamar mine is the state's largest silver producer outside of the Coeur d'Alene area of northern Idaho. It's also Idaho's second-largest gold mine. Its owner, the Kinross Gold Corp. of Toronto, Canada, is closing it because of falling gold and silver prices.

The pattern is familiar in



Mike Baltor spends time with his pony on his ranch in Pleasant Valley earlier this month. Baltor's job at the Delamar mine is the only one he's had, and he's about to lose it.

boom-and-bust mining communities.

At Delamar, the cycle is completing itself for the third time. The first was from 1888 until the early 1900s. Capt. Joseph Delamar came to Owyhee County broke and claimed a group of mining claims down the street. They were much respected, but they never forgot their ties to Owyhee County.

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## Businesses seek to cut travel costs

Strategies include fewer trips, cheaper flights and videoconferencing

The Washington Post

Big corporations are having some success in their campaign to reduce skyrocketing business travel costs, but that's little help to Richard J. Sharoff, chief executive of small ice cream retailer Maggie Moo's International.

Two weeks ago he flew from Baltimore-Washington International to Houston and then to Dallas, spending several extra hours traveling to save a few bucks.

Travel dollars are becoming a bigger number for us, and we have to pay attention to them," Sharoff said. "I look at the dollars we save, and it's just a fact of life that's the price we have to pay in order to be a national business."

Corporate travel expenses have grown sharply over the past two years. A recent survey by Express Travel Related Services Co. recently estimated U.S. companies will spend a whopping \$175 billion on travel and entertainment this year, 12 percent more than they did two years ago.

Business travelers typically purchase tickets with little advance notice, forcing them to pay higher prices than leisure travelers. Companies are seeking creative ways to hold down these costs by negotiating deals with travel providers; big corporations typically have more clout in obtaining discounts.

One tool available to all companies is reducing travel. Managers at many firms, both large and small, have told employees to limit travel and are cutting back the number of people attending meetings and conferences.

For example, Hewlett-Packard Co., a giant computer company based in Palo Alto, Calif., has shaved \$200 million a year from its \$800 million travel and entertainment budget by reducing employee travel by 25 percent over the past two years, said Phil Wilson, corporate travel manager.

Big companies are encouraging advance reservations on major carriers and booking employees on lower-priced or business airlines such as Pro Air Inc., AirTran Airways or MetroJet. And, as a substitute for face-to-face interaction, many companies are embracing technology such as video and audio conferencing and Internet-based presentations — which cost about one-third of the average \$1,037 price tag of a three-day domestic business trip.

Playing online at the Internet Gaming Zone is free, although you are required to register a user name and password at the site.

Other Bicycle cards by Expert Software include versions of poker, bridge, euchre andummy. They also retail for \$14.99. You can buy them directly from Expert's Web site: www.expertsoftware.com.

## Find the solitaire that's extraordinary

And start wasting your time in style

By Joe Kishelmer  
The Orlando Sentinel

Practically the first thing all new computer owners find while poking around their hard drive is the time-honored game of solitaire.

Solitaire comes with every version of Windows and it has been that way since the operating system came out in 1990. It's such a simple, mind-consuming game.

One can only wonder how many millions of hours across the world have been wasted, or spent, by people playing solitaire. Who knows, maybe Bill Gates really does have a nickel for

### Online

every time someone has played solitaire over the past 10 years.

As computer owners know, there is only so much you can do with the Windows version of solitaire. You can either flip over one card at a time or three. You can time the game or not. You can keep track of your score with points or by pretending that you're playing in Las Vegas and each card is worth 55.

But if you would like something more than just Microsoft's plain-vanilla solitaire, you're in luck. There is a variety of software available — from retail stores and cyberspace — that offers a virtual cornucopia of solitaire variations.

One of the newest on the market

comes from Expert Software, a small company in Coral Gables, Fla., that is fast becoming a game software powerhouse, despite the fact that it lies far north from Silicon Valley power center.

Expert recently struck a deal with United States Playing Card Co., a leading manufacturer of playing cards, to create a series of software card games bearing the famous Bicycle card logo.

Expert's Bicycle Solitaire, which sells for a suggested \$14.99, contains more than 75 different types of the card game. Most of them, I found while playing, are games such as La Belle Lucie and Four Seasons, depend on skill as much as luck.

The software comes with a tutorial that teaches you how to play each game. And it offers a lot of history tidbits. Microsoft's Solitaire game, for example, is a version of an old game

known as Klondike, which first arose in the late 1800s during the Yukon gold rush.

You also can use Bicycle Software to connect to Microsoft's Internet Gaming Zone, a Web site devoted to multiplayer games. The site has carved out a separate area where users can play different versions of Bicycle Solitaire against others.

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## Reality bites

The third quarter was a bummer for investors — a fact that has really begun to hit home as statements for 401(k) retirement plans for the three-month period arrive in mailboxes around the country.

The Dow Jones Industrial average, weekly close



SOURCE: Bloomberg News

Most mutual funds recorded losses during the third quarter, including those offered as investments through 401(k) plans. The following are the 20 most popular funds offered in 401(k) plans and their quarterly performance.

Rank	Fund	Third-quarter return	Percent of fund's assets from 401(k) plans
1	Fidelity Magellan	-11.1%	57.1%
2	Fidelity Growth & Income	-8.3%	48.8%
3	Vanguard Index 500	-10.0%	28.6%
4	Fidelity Equity-Income	-12.9%	63.5%
5	Fidelity Contrafund	-9.4%	42.4%
6	American Century Ultra	-11.8%	44.8%
7	Vanguard Windsor	-10.5%	47.3%
8	Fidelity Spartan U.S. Equity Index	-10.0%	88.8%
9	Putnam Voyager	-16.8%	42.5%
10	Vanguard Institutional Index	-9.9%	51.1%
11	Fidelity Growth Company	-8.3%	62.8%
12	Washington Mutual Investors	-7.0%	16.9%
13	Vanguard Windsor II	-11.8%	24.8%
14	Putnam Growth & Income	-10.5%	42.4%
15	Fidelity Blue Chip Growth	-8.1%	14.1%
16	Investment Company of America	-7.4%	33.8%
17	T. Rowe Price Equity Income	-7.5%	33.8%
18	Putnam New Opportunities	-18.9%	26.5%
19	Merrill Lynch Basic Value A	-11.3%	75.6%
20	Janus	-11.0%	20.3%

SOURCE: Pershing & Investments, Upper Analytical Services Inc. and Money magazine

## Growth of 401(k) plans

The number of 401(k) plans has risen dramatically since they were created in the early 1980s to encourage employees to save for retirement. Today, it is estimated that 25 million workers, or about one-fourth of the U.S. workforce, have \$1 trillion invested in the plans.

YEAR	NUMBER OF PLANS	ASSETS
1986	17,303	\$91.8 billion
1990	83,301	\$384.8 billion
1994	174,945	\$674.7 billion
1998	228,000	\$1.0 trillion

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SOURCE: Employee Benefit Research Institute

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## Credit union breaks ground in Mountain Home

The Times-News

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on Giffenger Avenue Nov. 4.

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has eight branches, including at 250 W. 3rd St. and 435 Rosewood, both in Mountain Home, 101 W. Main in Jerome, 617 Blue Lakes Blvd. in Twin Falls, 114-1/2 Commercial in Glens Ferry, 8 W. Myrtle in Hailey, and 102 5th Ave. E. in Gooding.

## Beet processor with plants in Idaho, Oregon wins award

The Times-News

BOISE — The Annamunated Sugar Company, which has operations in Idaho and Oregon, won the 1998 International Best Practices Award for the Power of Producing Entry at the Arthur Andersen's Enterprise Symposium in St. Charles, Ill. Winners were selected from hundreds of applications submitted from companies in the United States and around the world.

Amannunated, the second largest beet processor in the United States, qualified for the international award by winning the 1998 Best Practices Award in Utah.

The company's winning entry was then submitted to the international competition with an independent panel of judges of business, cost and academic leaders.

In presentations at the symposium, Amannunated representatives explained the use of its technology to improve production and distribution of more than 3.5 billion pounds of sugar per year.

Amannunated said it patented a simulated moving-bed technology enabling the company to recover more sugar than any other processor in the world, equating to millions of dollars in revenue.

A software program allows employees to take lap-top computers into each of the 1,200 beet growers' fields and track 6 million tons of beets delivered from 225,000 acres. That enables the company to evaluate with each grower the quality and quantity of its beets and its agronomic practices.

A recently developed computer system allows the company to receive orders and invoice electronically, incorporating all transactions related to a sale. This system has reduced handling of and remittance from 12 times to one, reduced cycles times from eight hours to one hour and enhanced cash flow.

Amannunated headquarters in Ogden, Utah, began operation 100 years ago. The company operates large facilities in Idaho and Oregon, including Twin Falls.

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## Summer stock losses teach 401(k) holders hard lesson

The Dallas Morning News

Heavy losses in the U.S. stock market in late summer are suddenly becoming a little more real to investors courtesy of the U.S. mail.

Such providers of 401(k) retirement plans as Fidelity Investments, T. Rowe Price Associates and the Vanguard Group have been making third-quarter performance statements to some 25 million workers who invest in the plans. For most participants, the statements reflect a heavy dose of this reality: Stocks don't always go up.

And while the market has recovered somewhat from its summer swoon, 401(k) providers are taking steps to handle a possible rush of inquiries from worried investors, including sending out reassuring letters and adding personnel to answer the phones.

The 401(k) participants who suffered the biggest losses were all in stocks during the third quarter, which ended Sept. 30. More conservative investors — such as

those holding more cash and bonds — probably held their own in the quarter, retirement plan experts said.

"Some employees are obviously upset and worried, but fortunately the recent rally in the stock market in the fourth quarter has taken a lot of the sting out of it," said Brooks Hamilton, a Dallas benefits attorney and expert on 401(k) plans. "I would say maybe half the losses have already been recovered."

The average third-quarter loss in six large 401(k) plans that Hamilton monitors range from 9.5 percent to 11 percent. Because these are large plans sponsored by a variety of companies throughout the United States, he believes they reflect the performance of the average 401(k) plan.

Liz Mitchell, a longtime American Airlines employee, is probably typical of many 401(k) investors, Mitchell said that while she has lost a large chunk of her retirement savings, she will continue putting money into the plan's stock mutual fund.

"I know I have lost money, but I haven't even looked to see how much," she said. "There is really nothing you can do about it. I don't even want to know what I've lost."

But Mitchell's friend and colleague of American, Marj Allen, lost \$20,000 in her 401(k) plan and decided that was enough. "I pulled everything out," said Allen. "I have a child in college and another soon will be. I can't afford to lose any more. When you look around in Asia and Russia, it's scary."

The most popular stock mutual fund offered in 401(k) plans, Fidelity Magellan, lost 11.85 percent in the quarter, while another popular fund, the Vanguard Index 500, declined 10 percent. For some investors, these losses may have been lessened by holding a money market fund, which returned an average 1.5 percent in the quarter. But losses may have been increased by holding an international fund, which on average lost 16 percent in the quarter, said Hamilton.

## Jobs

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ver's license and drive a truck. I'd hate to think this was the only thing I could do to help."

Conro, a pit supervisor, has worked at the mine for 16 years. He is thinking of retraining, using benefits available through the Idaho Department of Labor.

A former deputy sheriff, he also is considering a return to law enforcement.

"People are scared," he said. "They're looking for anything they can find."

"It's going to be a real burden on the economy."

Former miner Jess Morgan quit his job and found the trading post in Jordan Valley a year ago because, "I knew the mine wouldn't last forever and wanted to stay here. The store's been here since 1936. I figured I'd be able to make it with the tourist trade."

Across the street at Teller's Market, clerk Terry White gives the closure "early help but hurt business. But we'll probably manage to hang on. It will be like it was before the mine trade."

opened, when you saw people on the street and really knew them."

"It'll affect everybody," rancher Dennis Stanford said, waving his hands over an ancient oil stove in the Ranch Hand Trading Post. "It's supplemental income for a lot of the ranchers here. I have a wife and two daughters who have worked at the mine."

Ed Saffron won't be around to notice the difference. A truck driver at the mine, he's sending resumes to other mines.

"What else am I going to do?" he asked. "I have to work. I have a wife and a little girl."

Lab technician Jan Green sees herself moving to Boise or Canyon County.

"We'll probably just come here on weekends," she said.

Severance packages will allow

some miners to ride out the winter without jobs. Others already have left. A third of the permanent employees at the Sunny Ridge Mobile Home and RV Park had been vacated through the first week in November.

"It hits us all," mine owner Fred Golladay said. "I'll probably be going on welfare next week."



# COMDEX '98

Annual computer show comes to an end



Bill Gates  
Makes appearance  
at nerdy party  
at Harley Davidson Cafe



Steve Bernstein, director of marketing for Insight Software Inc., a Xerox New Enterprises company, demonstrates their Hyperbolic Tree Interface for hierarchies at the Comdex Convention Thursday in Las Vegas. The interface is designed for applications that involve accessing, managing, organizing and exploiting large hierarchies of data such as product catalogs, document collections, and link structure on the World Wide Web.



Susan Johnson, product manager for the mobile storage division of Iomega, displays their 40 megabyte Click! disk at the Comdex Convention Thursday in Las Vegas. The storage disk, which measures 2.16 inches x 1.98 inches, is marketed for consumer digital cameras, telephones, hand-held games and computers.

## Sony's robotic pets steal Vegas spotlight

The Orange County Register

1996: See Spot run. Run, Spot, run!

2006: See Spot recharge. Boot up, Spot, boot up!

That's the future, according to electronics giant Sony, which has spent the past six years designing robotic pets it hopes to see in U.S. homes before 2001.

They wag rubber tails when people pet their shiny heads. They bat at colorful toys with their synthetic feet. They stretch. They beg.

"That is so CUTE!" gushed David Ketcham of San Diego, who visited Sony's booth at the annual Comdex computer show in Las Vegas this week to see the 5-pound machines, which look like bizarre metallic mixes of dogs and cats.

Adding to their Blade Runner-like charm are removable limbs and heads (for customization), and infrared sensors on their feet and skulls.

Product planner Gene Huh said the robots could be adopted as pets or serve as status symbols or conversation pieces.

The furless, battery-powered creatures can shamble along at 16 feet per minute. But the real charm lies in their software, which can represent various ani-

*'I love little robots. For me, it would be great. I'm single, and I don't have time to keep a dog.'*

— Mark Flores, retail account manager from Sunnydale, Calif.

imals, personalities and skills.

Price? Huh wouldn't even guess, other than to say, "not as much as a car, definitely not."

But that didn't stop the crowd from gawking—and coveting.

Eyeballing the delicate configuration of wires, Ketcham doubted the robots would last five minutes with a small child. But others said they wouldn't hesitate to spend thousands.

"I love little robots," said an electrified Mark Flores, a retail account manager from Sunnydale, Calif. "For me, it would be great. I'm single, and I don't have time to keep a dog."

"This," echoed Edward Evans, a systems engineer in Fremont, Calif., "is the coolest thing I have seen all day."

## Building a better 'bot

New interactive program lets you try

By Ronelle Gill  
Newsday

Imagine, if you will, that you could build a robot to carry out your personal bidding. What would it do? Dust the furniture? Wax the car? Change the kitty litter? Ours would do the grocery shopping.

After opening a door, dodging and clean the autumn leaves stuck in our roof gutters. But how would you get this mechanical marvel to function?

To gain a little insight, try playing with "The Robot Club" by Southpeak Interactive, \$29.95, (919) 677-4499, www.southpeak.com.

Here's the premise: Some high-school beginners have begun a club to design and build "bots to do good stuff around town, but they need some new members. To pass their initiation test, you must build robots that accomplish specific tasks. In order to do that, you must study the different robot parts as well as learn the club's programming language so you can get the robots to function properly.

After opening a top-secret club notebook, players select a mission. A video featuring some or all of the club members describes what you need to do in order to succeed. Potential inductees begin with training sessions to learn how to put the robot parts together and what functions they can perform.

The training missions are fairly straightforward—sending your robot to a specific point or to different-colored flags—and you are provided with only the parts you'll actually use. As you proceed, the missions become more

Software review

complex, and you'll need to think through the progression of tasks the robot needs to perform to succeed, as well as decide which parts to use.

The videos, notebook briefings and a tips folder help you along. The more advanced projects include everything from having your robot separate and recycle cans and bottles to delivering pizza and killing cockroaches. You can even play "battle of the bots" to see if you have superior robot-building skills by selecting the dueling option.

However, it was only after spending a long time—unsuccessfully—on one mission that we discovered the small arrows above the hardware box that allow you to scroll and view all of the available parts for a project. We didn't notice the scroll bar earlier as it doesn't exist in the training sessions, and there is no mention of it—or of that certain available parts are out of view—in the directions. We felt this was a weak spot in the software's design.

Aimed at ages 10 and older, we found programming the robots to carry out tasks correctly was challenging even for an adult, and we think it might be overwhelming for kids under junior high age. And although we usually dislike videos in gaming software, the ones in "The Robot Club" were actually fun. The talent of the young actors was enhanced by the MTV-ish camera style.

## 'Fortune' ads ink liquor sponsors

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Fortune magazine's new advertising campaign — the tag line is "Make Your Brain Bigger" — has some staffers grumbling about the loss of journalistic brain cells.

Some of the ads carry an additional slogan: "Replace What the MARTINI'S KILL." That, it turns out, was hard for one of the Time Inc. magazine's writers to swallow, so Fortune killed the ads with the martini lines.

But the liquor line also appeared on promotional coffee cups, prompting this memo from Tony Hasek, a Fortune advertising manager: "Unfortunately, a big liquor client in NY was offended by the martini execution, so we were ordered to destroy any and all items that contained this execution."

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## A deal with tobacco industry; new talks at FedEx

The Associated Press

The holiday spirit appeared to come early in a week of dealmaking. There was an accord between tobacco companies and the states, and an agreement to head back to the bargaining table at Federal Express. Even the Federal Reserve appeared to seek a compromise, lowering interest rates, but warning that it may be for a while.

A look at what happened in business this past week:

### Tobacco deal

A \$206 billion deal was reached between five tobacco companies and the 46 states that haven't already settled claims for Medicaid spending on tobacco-related illnesses. In exchange, the states will drop lawsuits that had posed an enormous legal and financial threat to the tobacco industry.

The payments will be made over 25 years beginning in the

### Business week in review

year 2000. In addition, the tobacco companies will spend \$1.7 billion to finance antismoking advertising and accept curbs on marketing practices that critics say target children.

Philip Morris Inc., R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corp., the Lorillard Tobacco Co. and the Liggett Group Inc. said they would sign the deal Monday.

Antismoking advocates were unhappy that the deal extracted fewer concessions from the industry than a broader \$368.5 billion agreement reached in 1997 that later died in Congress.

### Santa's helpers

Santa will have a few more helpers now that Federal Express

Corp. and its pilots union agreed to resume contract negotiations.

The union's board of directors agreed not to take action on a strike for 60 days, heading off a possible strike over the busy holiday shipping season.

FedEx and its pilots have been haggling over a contract since July. Negotiations broke off Oct. 30 and last week pilots began refusing to work overtime. With the two parties heading back to the bargaining table on Monday, however, the pilots will now work overtime.

In addition, the counting of strike authorization ballots, which had been set for Dec. 3, is now on hold.

The last contract offer by the company called for a 17 percent raise over five years. FedEx officials say the raise would put their pilots' salaries near the top of the airline industry.

### Rate reduction

The Federal Reserve cut two benchmark interest rates by a quarter of a percentage point. The rates charged among banks on overnight loans fell to 4.75 percent and the rate on the Fed's own loans fell to 4.5 percent.

Although it was the third cut in rates since the Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues coupled the rate cut with a statement interpreted as a warning it would hold off on further rate cuts, possibly for months.

## THE LIGHT TOUCH

by Craig Smith



We're still waiting for some college to come up with a demonstration proving student ignorance.

Husband at desk to wife and children: "Well, I worked out a budget, but one of us will have to go."

How much better the world would be if we let opportunity do all the knowing.

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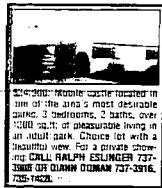
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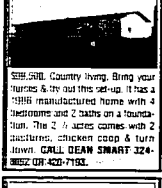
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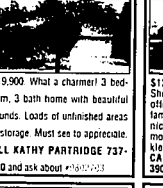
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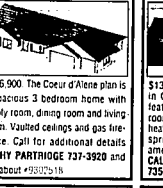
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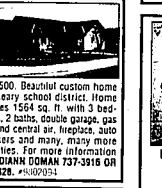
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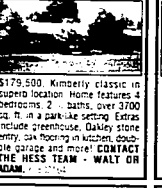
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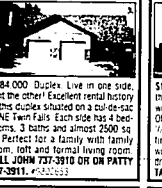
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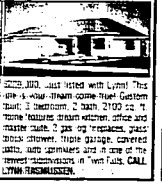
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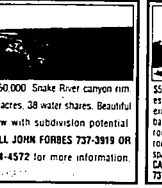
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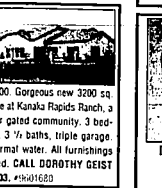
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## At work, it could always be worse

Funeral director Mark Shearon, who wrote a book titled "GOOD GRIEF: Making Sense of Death, Dying and Funerals," travels the country speaking to groups about his work. You might think he would have trouble getting people to attend his lectures. Think again.

Shearon tells his audiences about growing up in a family of funeral directors and about spending his childhood rollerskating through the funeral chapel and playing hide-and-seek among the caskets. He wasn't disrespectful, he said. He just grew up seeing the profession from a unique vantage point.

Now Shearon is hoping to win converts. He thinks people need to look at death in a positive, meaningful and sometimes even light-hearted way.



LIFE AND TIMES  
Denise Turner

Shearon tells stories about his daughter, who was once asked by a teacher if her father would be attending a PTA meeting. The reply: "My mom will be here for sure, and my daddy will be here if nobody dies."

Shearon also tells about the day when his cousin came to visit and went wandering into a moving room where several bereaved family members had suffered fainting spells.

"Uncle Millard," the cousin went crying to Shearon's father. "Come quick, there are dead rats laying all over the place."

Maybe we would all enjoy our jobs more if we learned to look at their bright, and humorous side. Surely most of us should be able to find at least as much to laugh about as someone who must bury the dead.

Some jobs, in themselves, are pretty funny. I actually met a woman in Ohio who landed a job presiding miniature books. And I once knew a color-blind man who worked in a photography lab processing color prints.

There are those people who have the wrong names for their chosen occupations (Dr. Quick, perhaps?), and there are teachers whose classrooms are filled with goofy kids.

I remember a child in my son's third-grade class who got a minus-5 on his spelling paper because he misspelled every word on the test and then misspelled his name.

Of course, it's sometimes easier to find joy and laughter in other people's jobs than in our own.

Once I heard a sociologist report that 80 percent of Americans are now in jobs that they hate, just to make money. And there is guilt and bad in every line of work, so it's not difficult to concentrate on the bad stuff if you really try.

Last year, a newspaper article contained the results of a study conducted by National Business Employment Weekly, which rated the 25 most stressful jobs. Among them were the predictable: surgeon, air traffic controller, police officer, taxi driver (I think that one ought to be taxi passenger, but no one asked me). Then there was a job that you might not expect — real estate agent, phony journalist, fisherman, architect.

Just goes to show that any job can cause stress.

Some days are worse than others. I wouldn't have wanted to be at church the day the church secretary typed the bulletin that said, "Thursday night potluck supper — prayer and meditation to follow."

I'm also glad I wasn't at the dental office that day last month when my husband scratched his nose and popped everything out of his mouth so the dentist had to start all over and redo two crowns.

And I don't envy the weather forecasters who have to decide exactly when it is going to rain.

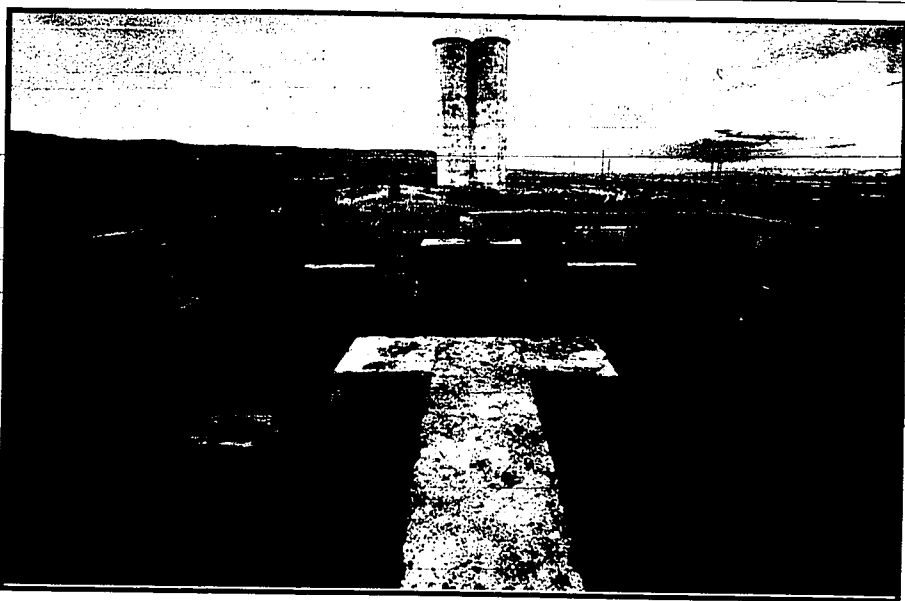
Radio newscaster Paul Harvey once insisted that weather forecasters have figured out that there are more things to a forecast than just something bad and it doesn't happen then if it's the other way around — and that's why the forecasters predicted 13 inches of rain last week.

There is a site on the Internet where people can write in and tell about their "crummy jobs." When I clicked onto the site last week, there were stories from Matt the dishwasher at a retirement home, Nathan the outside at computer camp, Kent the stick-figure worker, and Mary the porno quality checker. (I don't want to know.)

Eric the bug boy wrote about a time, years ago, when he worked in Michigan for \$3 an hour bagging groceries. He hated it most when summer was almost over and hardly any other bug boys were left, he wrote. On one day like that, he saw a Dad allow his tiny daughter to pick up a big glass jar of applesauce and also mention to her why. The voices inside Eric's head were screaming, "Nooooo!" Eric tried to hide, to no avail. "Eric, clean-up on Aisle 7," the loudspeaker bellowed.

If you're not doing anything particularly sticky at work these days, count yourself lucky. It could always be worse.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.



In the early years of the century, Idaho was a thriving farming town. Today, only foundations and a weathered grain elevator remain with a historical landmark sign off state Highway 81 as a reminder of another era.

# DROUGHT

## Seasons of want shape how life is lived in Magic Valley

**66** Drought is as much a condition of the soul as of the soil.

— James Agee

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

IDAHO — Great expectations don't last long out here when the wind blows from the northwest.

But on a preternaturally calm November morning, it's possible to see how they might take root.

The Coterrell Mountains shield the Raft River Valley from an encroaching storm, and in the shadow of the skeleton of the grain elevator, there are footprints of civilization.

A bent and rusted hay rake, a crushed tin can, a willow tree — unaccountable but unmistakable signs that once people took the measure of this place and struck a bargain with the sky and the they land.

Or at least, thought they did. Back in 1914, when all the world was buying American grain, this seemed like a upland Eden, bountiful and boundless.

But World War I didn't last. And while the drought of 1919 didn't kill off Idaho, it sealed its fate: Two decades of dry weather and low crop prices followed, and now the place is distinguishable from two dozen other Magic Valley ghost towns only by a historical marker and a concrete citadel of dashed hopes.

Ninety years after it was imagined, the Magic Valley survives by a technological sleight-of-hand: borrowed water.

That's because drought is the rule on the northern fringe of the Great Basin, no matter how full the canals run with melted Wyoming snow.

"The south-central part of the state is part of one of the most drought-prone regions in the country," said Myron Molnar, a University of Idaho professor and the



state climatologist. "Rainfall is 10 inches (a year) or less, and there are great variations in precipitation from year to year."

"That's typical of a desert."

Drought has shaped how life is lived in this cauldron of leveraged hopes.

"A powerful emotion (is) wont to come upon an irrigator as he dabbles with a trickle when his tender plants are being desiccated by midsummer heat," wrote Merle Wells, the dean of Idaho historians, in his 1959 "History of Idaho," which he co-authored with Merrill Beal.

In a land where rainfall can vary by 8 inches a year, nearly a third of the Magic Valley's recorded history has been consumed by drought. The worst came in the 1930s — but it's never far away.

Never far away from the land or the souls of the people who live on it. And that fact affects everything from credit to comedy.

"In 1919, the Twin Falls Canal Company reported that it would be able to furnish only 30 percent of the normal supply of water," says Twin Falls-born historian Leonard Arrington, author of his own Idaho history. "There were alterations along the river. Desperate farmers in the upper valleys of the Snake sometimes made illegal use of water, broke the locks on

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## The 1930s: Years of plague for all

The Times-News

**T**he 1930s brought six of the 10 driest years in Magic Valley history. Here's what that drought, and the Great Depression that accompanied it, wrought:

- **Twin Falls County:** One of the two banks in Twin Falls failed early in the Depression, following the collapse of commodity prices almost across the board. At the bottom of the Depression, in the winter of 1932-33, unemployment exceeded 30 percent and the Magic Valley's first real Hooverville, or shantytown for the homeless, thrived in Rock Creek Canyon west of Twin Falls.

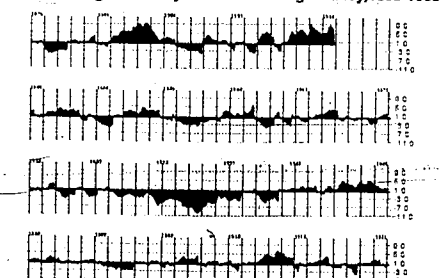
- **Cassia County:** By 1932, potatoes were largely worthless and hundreds of upland farmers were out of business. "If things were bad on the Twin Falls Tract, they were worse around Burley," historian Leonard Arrington said. "That's especially true around Oakley," he added, where farmers working marginal land were decimated by the simultaneous collapse of crop prices and arrival of drought.

- **Minidoka County:** The Minidoka Project had just begun to reclaim the sagebrush country when an insect called the white fly devastated the sugar beet crop — a pest that hadn't been eradicated by the time the Depression hit with full force. Madison Payer, who grew up in Rupert during that time, remembers four pool halls in town, filled with unemployed men.

- **Blaine County:** The collapse of silver and the sharp decline of the sheep industry had left the Wood

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Palmer Drought Severity Index in the Magic Valley, 1895-1998



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## Can't change the weather? We've already been at it

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — Mankind doesn't have much leverage with the weather. But in the Magic Valley, Mother Nature makes an exception.

The Minidoka Project and Twin Falls Tract have brought about small changes in the climate in which a majority of south-central Idaho's 180,000 residents live.

Irrigated agriculture has made the Magic Valley area more humid, and during the summer months, a little cooler than it would have been otherwise," says Richard Allen, a professor in the technology and irrigated agriculture department at Utah State University.

"And it's made it less windy." That's become the sheer concentra-

tion of so much surface water in Snake River corridor between Minidoka Dam and Swan Falls dams means there's much more evaporation, altering the mechanics of local weather.

"The best example would be if you ride a bike or a motorcycle from town through farm country at night," Allen said. "You'll notice it cools off rapidly."

Dry air and clear skies still dominate south-central Idaho's climate. "But the fact that there's more water evaporating than there used to be affects the convection currents caused by hot air rising," Allen said. "The difference isn't enough to affect regional weather systems, but it can influence local conditions."

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Dear Amy: I don't know how to write a report. Can the World Wide Web help me? —Tara, Old, Cold Dear Tara: There are lots of Web sites to help you with your homework, but there is only one "Write Place" at <http://www.writeplace.org>. It's a great place for ideas to help you get started writing or for some suggestions about how to improve your writing skills. You can learn how to improve your grammar and writing style or learn how to write essays. Does any of this sound like fun? Some of the information is for advanced writers, but any student who has a paper due will like the suggestions on "how to write the kind of paper my teacher assigns."

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Do you have a cause or group that you believe helps for the world to be a better place? Or, do you see a wrong or injustice that needs correcting? Well then, volunteer to help that group or cause. Willingly commit some of your time, energy, effort and resources, including money.

If that first paragraph stirred you to think about acting, that's good. If you're already active in supporting ideas you believe in, that's even better. Volunteering is easy. However, being a good, functional volunteer takes work and a plan. So, here are some guidelines and observations I've made about volunteering. These suggestions are for you, so far, of active involvement on local, national and international levels.

• **Be honest with yourself** about your true motivations for volunteering. Are you in it primarily to help the cause? Or, do you plan to volunteer mainly to network and increase your name awareness in your area? Remember the saying, "It's harder and better to be outstanding than it is to stand out." If your goal is increased personal visibility, plan to be a willing volunteer. Offer to do the jobs no one else wants. Then do them faster and better than anyone else. Allow your actions and attitude to speak about your abilities and worth.

• **Volunteer where you can use your abilities and contacts** with the group. • **Consider volunteering for no more than two groups at a time.** More quality time will accomplish fewer groups will accomplish more. • **If the organization doesn't have a term limit policy for its board or volunteers,** consider limiting your tenure to three or four years. Some boards become calcified and unresponsive because they never have new members. The top group I've worked with has a term limit of six years or less. New blood, new faces and new ideas are good tonic for a group.

• **Educate yourself on both sides of an issue.** Tony Robbins likes to say, "No matter how thin you slice a piece of bread, it still has two sides." Know the strong and weak points of your cause. • **Don't be an emotional zealot** that can't tolerate opposing views. There is no cause on earth that everyone agrees with. No matter how strongly you feel about your topic, others exist who hold the contrary view as fervently. Learn to accept another's opinion, points of view, and your own. Try to educate them to your point of view, within reason. You will never sway 100 percent.

• **Periodically step back and look at the leadership and direction of the group.** Does it still represent what you believe in? Does the cause it is an agent itself with its stated purpose? If you find the group has deviated or changed course, review your continued involvement. • **The value you receive comes from the good that you do with a clear conscience and an open heart.** Willingly serve the goals of the group. There are many CEOs of major companies who volunteer and willingly make a support role.

Give volunteering a try. You will learn something about yourself. And, you will probably feel quite good about yourself, too!



STRESS Tim O'Brien

## Good nutrition is crucial during a baby's 1st year

Los Angeles Times

In the first 12 months of life, a baby's weight triples and his or her brain size doubles. "There is no other time in your life that the brain doubles in 12 months," says Dr. Lillian Beard, a Washington, D.C., pediatrician.

No wonder parents are concerned about "what goes in the mouth, what goes out and sleep," she says. Now a "grand-pediatrician" seeing children of former patients, Beard also keeps busy as an associate clinical professor of pediatrics at George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences, as an assistant professor at Howard University College of Medicine and as an occasional spokeswoman for the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Here, she offers a quick guide to baby's nutrition. **The First Month:** For the first four to six months, babies should be fed solely breast milk or iron-fortified formula.

"There is no controversy about breast milk" being the healthiest food for a baby's first year, Beard says. For mothers who are unable or choose not to breast-feed, Beard recommends only iron-fortified formulas.

**Introducing Cereal:** Each child develops at his or her own pace, Beard says. Look for these signs that the baby is ready for cereal. Baby nearly sits up without support. Baby mimics chewing and gets excited when others are eating. Baby consumes more than 32 ounces of breast milk or formula a day.

Cereal should be fed with a spoon, and baby should be able to swallow it. Putting cereal in a bottle poses a great risk of choking and prevents the child from developing important motor skills.

**Other Food:** Introduce one food at a time, feeding baby this food for three to four days and watching for any reaction, such as rash, diarrhea or simple irritability. Babies' dietary tracts are not

## Healthy Living

## Baby's nutritional needs

With a baby, it's not morning, day, only needs. Here's a guide to what your baby should eat.

**Baby's first food after birth:** Breast milk. If you're not breastfeeding, use a formula. **From 1 to 6 months:** Breast milk or formula. **From 6 to 12 months:** Solid foods, such as pureed fruits and vegetables, and iron-fortified cereals.

**From 12 to 24 months:** Solid foods, such as pureed fruits and vegetables, and iron-fortified cereals. **From 24 to 36 months:** Solid foods, such as pureed fruits and vegetables, and iron-fortified cereals.

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**From 288 to 300 months:** Solid foods, such as pureed fruits and vegetables, and iron-fortified cereals.

**Sweets for a one-year-old:** max. 150-200 cal. per day



KRT Infographic/TIM GOELEN

fully developed, and they may not be ready for certain foods. Start with simple rice cereal and slowly introduce pureed meats, fruits, such as bananas, apples or pears, then complex cereals, yellow and orange vegetables, green vegetables and family poultry and meats.

By the eighth to 10th month, baby should be ready to attempt table food.

**Baby Food:** Beard urges parents to make baby food if they have time.

Soak or boil a fruit or vegetable, then mash it with a fork or puree it in a blender, using the cooking water to get a smooth consistency.

Introduce baby foods, she says, are just as good. Manufacturers have the most part, stopped adding sugar and salts and are required to meet standards set by the Food and Drug Administration.

**Fats:** At least 30 percent of a baby's calories need to be fat. Beard says.

Fat is crucial to the development of the brain, spine and central nervous system.

**Juice:** It's OK to introduce juice at the same time as cereal, Beard says, but dilute the juice heavily with water.

Start out with apple or white grape juice, Beard recommends.

That's what falls in the Teton Mountains, which is the source of most of the Magic Valley's irrigation water.

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using only juices prepared specifically for babies.

From "Sadly, about 25 percent of infants are iron-deficient, and that is totally avoidable," Beard says.

A recent Case Western Reserve Medical study in Cleveland found that children who had iron deficiencies that were later corrected still performed lower on intelligence tests than children who never had deficiencies, Beard says.

Breast-fed babies need added iron after the fourth month, but Beard says they can get that in iron-fortified cereals.

Vitamins: Breast-feeding mothers should continue taking prenatal vitamins because they benefit mother and child, Beard says. Pediatricians will sometimes prescribe vitamin drops for infants.

Forbidden: Food that should not be fed nuts or peanut butter, both because of the great choking hazard and because some children have violent allergies to these foods.

Citrus fruits, chocolate, strawberries and honey should not be fed to babies until they are a year old.

"Honey may be deadly," Beard says, because it contains spores that may cause botulism. Hot dogs and popcorn can also cause choking.

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Parents were somewhat better at recognizing drug or alcohol abuse.

## The Washington Post

Wednesday night at 8, Gail and Sam Calabrese of Burke, Va., knew exactly where to find their teenage daughters. With dinner eaten and homework complete, Julia, 15, and Joanna, 16, will be down in the family's rec room, eagerly awaiting the start of "Dawson's Creek."

Gail isn't so sure she likes her daughters watching the steamy series about small-town teens. But like most of their classmates, the girls are hooked. "Dawson" characters voice the real feelings of her generation, suggests Julia: "They talk like kids think, not what kids say."

Just about anyone under the age of 18 these days, "Dawson's Creek" is must-see TV. Week in and week out, it perches at or near the top of the Nielsen ratings among viewers 12 to 17.

Programmers know that in a business crowded with channels, a hit and a teen series generate word-of-mouth advertising that eventually draws in other, older viewers.

And advertisers love young

## Teens and TV

Most popular shows for viewers 12 to 17:

1. "Sabrina, Teenage Witch"
2. "Boy Meets World"
3. "Dawson's Creek"
4. (tie) "Brother's Keeper," "Two of a Kind"

—Source: The Washington Post

viewers' buying power, which, in a strong economy, has expanded faster than the average.

Two new broadcasters, the WB and United Paramount NetWork (UPN), have made a specialty of targeting teenagers. The WB, which is headed by former Fox executives, has established a particular franchise with some of the trendiest teen shows — "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," "Dawson's Creek," "Charmed" and "Felicity," the most lavishly praised new series of the fall TV season.

"The wonderful thing about teenagers is they don't come to the set with a whole bunch of biases," says Susanne Daniels, WB's top programming executive.

"Drought in the Great Plains region prompted thousands of families to move into the Far West," he said. "Idaho received many thousands of these migrants — from Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, and Texas. Although Idaho's economy was incomparably more distressed in the 1930s than in the 1920s, the emigration of the 1920s and converted by 'Grapes of Wrath' migrants into a net immigration in the depressed Thirties."

The residue of those hard times is still visible.

No banker makes a farm loan without consulting the Bureau of Reclamation. Many folks still pay cash for refrigerators and pickups. It's part of an almost biblical mentality based on the nagging fear that complacency breeds want.

"Drought is part of the norm in this part of the world," said Richard Allen, a professor at Utah State University and a specialist in irrigated agriculture, and climate.

In 1892, the climate has been favorable to agriculture in southern Idaho," Molnau said. "But sooner or later, that's going to change."

"It always does."

Meanwhile in Idaho, the wind is blowing.

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## Plague

Continued from F1

River Valley broke and depopulated by the time the Depression came along.

That's why Union Pacific Railroad got Ernest Braw's 3,500-acre ranch, the site of the present Sun Valley Resort, for less than a dollar an acre, according to Larry Quinn, "A History of the Magic Valley."

• Gooding and Lincoln com-

ties. The three legs of these two crumpled prewar economies — sheep, grain and row crops — were decimated in the farm depression of '20s and, in the case of sheep, largely finished off by the Great Depression.

One bright spot for farmers here and elsewhere in the Magic Valley was alfalfa: hay was much in demand in the Dust Bowl states of the Midwest.

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## Weather

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It's strictly a summer phenomenon, Allen said: Winter weather on the Snake River Plain is still cold and windy.

But there's some speculation that all that evaporation has increased the amount of precipi-

tation that falls in the Teton Mountains, which is the source of most of the Magic Valley's irrigation water.

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# INTERVIEW WITH A SHEPHERD

By Frances Hansen, Metuchen, New Jersey

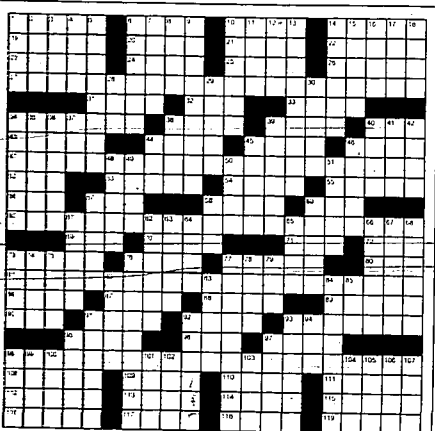
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# THE Sunday Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams



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# Retired live-in father helps family

**DEAR ABBY:** I have read many letters in your column over the years that have made my writing fingers itch, but "Papa Know-It-All" made me race to my word processor. This guy would try the patience of a saint!

Abby, my 76-year-old father has lived with us for more than four years. I'm blessed with a wonderful father.

I don't know what I'd do without him. While my husband and I work long hours, Dad tends to the household chores, takes care of the four pets, runs errands, works part time, volunteers in his spare time and socializes with friends of all ages.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Abigail VanBuren

He knows when to butt out of our business and asks us if we're interested in his opinion. He helps with his Social Security income and wages.

Certainly he has his faults, and we struggle with irritations, but his willingness to contribute to the family activities and

responsibilities goes a long way in balancing the score.

I showed Dad the letter about "Papa Know-It-All" and asked him what his response would have been.

— DAUGHTER OF A WONDERFUL FATHER  
OAKLAND, CALIF.

**DEAR DAUGHTER:** Your father is a man of few words, but many inner resources. Although I received a lack of information concerning "Papa Know-It-All," controlling behavior, one reader had a bone to pick with me about my answer.

# REVIEWS OF NEW MOVIES FROM A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

## Combined wire services

Young fans of "Home Improvement" alumnus Jonathan Taylor Thomas should savor "I'll Be Home For Christmas," a silly family comedy about a college kid in a Santa suit trying to get home for Christmas without ID or money.

The movie features some mild language and rude jokes, but it has a generally good-humored, affirmative message. (86 minutes) *(Red Theater of Twin Falls)*

...also...

• "Antz" (PG) — Woody Allen is 2-1-95 in this computer-animated film about a worker ant who doesn't like his place in life. With a sophisticated sense of humor and a smattering of child language, "Antz" is aimed at children 8 and older. The animation is beautiful, and both young and old will probably be entertained. (83 minutes) *(Twin Cinema)*

• "Meet Joe Black" (PG-13) — This leisuredly romantic fantasy features excellent performances, but the three-hour length and the death-related subject matter will challenge all but the most mature teens. Brad Pitt stars, and there's one scene featuring partial nudity. (179 minutes) *(Twin Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, Magic Lantern of Ketchum)*

• "Night at the Roxbury" (PG-13) — A little sex and some scattered profanity present the major red lights in this "Saturday



Night Live" spin-off about two goofy club hoppers. If you let the kids watch "SNL," there's nothing to worry here. Wayne's "World"-type humor should be a hit with early teens. (83 minutes) *(Jennine Cinema, Gooding Cinema)*

• "Pleasantville" (PG-13) — Older teens will enjoy this comedic blend of idealism and cynicism, but younger children will be confused. When two kids of the liberated '90s are swept into a television show of the repressed '50s, there's an abundance of sexual talk. (110 minutes) *(Twin Cinema, Magic Lantern of Ketchum)*

• "Practical Magic" (PG-13) — Teenage girls form one of the core audiences for this romantic fantasy, which emphasizes the bond between two sisters who hail from a family of witches. The movie contains language and sexuality, but the mood is mischievous rather than salacious. (110 minutes) *(Twin Cinema)*

• "Rush Hour" (PG-13) wiggles below the R line because it avoids sex and its violence is mostly cartoonish. But this Jackie Chan-Christi Tucker comic action flick has its share of bullet holes and salty language. Otherwise, this is

an immensely entertaining comic shoot-'em-up that should be perfect for teenage and older seekers. (95 minutes) *(Twin Cinema)*

• "The Siege" (R) — This movie is a good look at the choices in this country would face during a terrorist attack and the underlying prejudices and beliefs that would confront all of us. Entertainment value: A *(Red Theater, Jennine Cinema, Century Cinema of Burley, Sun Valley Opera House)*

• "Simon Birch" (PG) — A plea for tolerance and good-heartedness is at the core of this drama, which should engage older kids. Youngsters may be upset by a scene of a school bus crash and by episodes depicting children's mistreatment of those perceived as "misfits." The film's major relationship is a stalwart friendship between wise pre-teen dwarf Simon and his classmate Joe. (110 minutes) *(Twin Cinema)*

• "The Wizard of Oz" (G) — This classic is no longer just a film. It's an enchantment, a bit of Americana and the stuff of legend. Older kids and big people, reliving their childhoods will find the digitally restored musical a blast of color and remastered storytelling. (101 minutes) *(Twin Cinema)*

# 1 woman, 2 men spells trouble

An old college buddy sent me an e-mail the other day. His casual day-to-day details keep me in touch: Wife's fine. Kids are good.

Hard to believe a Seattle woman almost sunk our friendship a decade ago.

I met Rick when a question-naire paired us as roommates our freshman year in college. We were two strangers who both liked sleeping in, watching bad television, tipping a beer or two, and staying up late. We were eerily similar — too much alike, we'd soon find out.

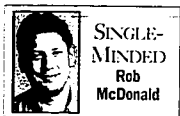
As our lives went, privacy was nonexistent as everyone mumbled around the coed floors of a four-story tower.

That's where I first saw Jen, a dark-haired, dark-eyed Seattle girl. She lived on my floor. I was glad to see her familiar face in my 400-person psychology class.

We sat together three times a week, studied in the library at night, took breaks at the pizza place, talked about life. One day as we walked to the library, she told me what she had been telling her older sister.

"Things got better when I made a special friend," she said smiling at me. My stomach jumped into my throat as I smiled back. Something special was brewing, I thought.

While this was going on, she



**SINGLE-MINDED**  
Rob McDonald

was also becoming special friends with Rick.

What was actually brewing was a quiet tension between me and the roommate. Sometimes the three of us would hang out. "I've got the best two guys in the whole world, right here," she'd say, beaming at both of us, hanging onto our arms.

Much later, a friend's mother told me, "You know, the Chinese symbol for trouble is two men and one woman."

Our rivalry was much like the Cold War. We never talked about it.

We hid our covert dates with Jen, and we both knew it could one day lead to annihilation.

Sure enough, our war was sparked by a stupid incident. Rick owned a noise-activated co-off device that was hooked up to a light.

A high-pitched whistle from a roommate flipped the circuit on and off. We discovered we could make the same noise when we made a loud "shush" noise.

We were taking turns seeing how far away we could stand and shush the light. Each time we moved further back until we were down the hallway. I was the first to fall, but I wanted another shot. He tried to move me out of the way, but I didn't budge and pushed back a little harder. We exchanged a few quick hard shoves until we were throwing each other around.

Looking back, I'm really glad everyone jumped in as we were about to start swinging. Not long after that, she chose him. To this day, we never really talked about that moment. We stayed roommates, and I avoided Jen as they dated.

I skulked around for a while until I met someone new about three weeks later. Rick and Jen lasted three years.

Looking back, Jen seemed the most important thing in the world. Now an e-mail from an old college buddy makes me happier than a lifetime with her. I think happiness is looking back without wanting to change anything.

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# ON THE JOB

## A straight question

Office workers, are you neat, sloppy or otherwise? When asked that question, people are likely to say they're the tidy type, according to a survey by Steelcase Inc. A third of respondents said they were "neat freaks."

An additional 27 percent said they were "pilfers," 23 percent said they were "filers," and 12 percent said they were "neat rats." Only 2 percent said they were slobs.

## Helpful help wanted

Ho, ho... oh, no. There'll be no holiday for shoppers already frustrated by shoddy customer service.

With the nation's unemployment rate holding steady at 4.6 percent, stores are having trouble finding enough part-time workers to meet holiday hiring goals. About 37 percent of the Americans consider customer service to be an abomination,

says the president of America's Research Group, and I don't see that getting any better this Christmas.

—Compiled from wire reports

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## TF tournament draws debaters

By H.R. Welzel  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** - The annual Twin Falls High School Invitational Debate Tournament brought 205 debate teams from 20 Idaho high schools together for two days of lively and hard-fought arguments.

Debating on Russian foreign policies, capital punishment and parliamentary procedures, the contestants took part in 700 rounds with 5,000 to 7,000 words spoken in each round. Earl Squares, host and Twin Falls debate team coach, reported. There were 2,400 statistics recorded for the 700 debates.

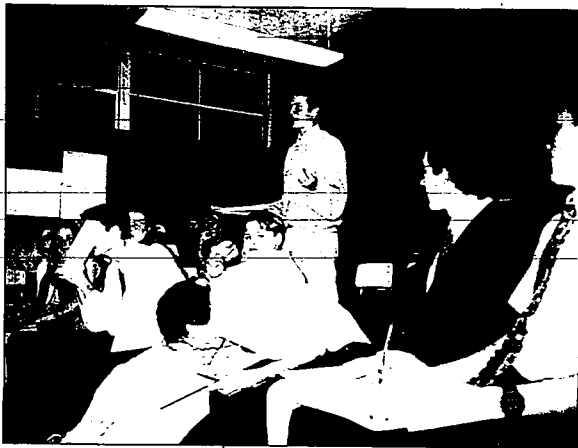
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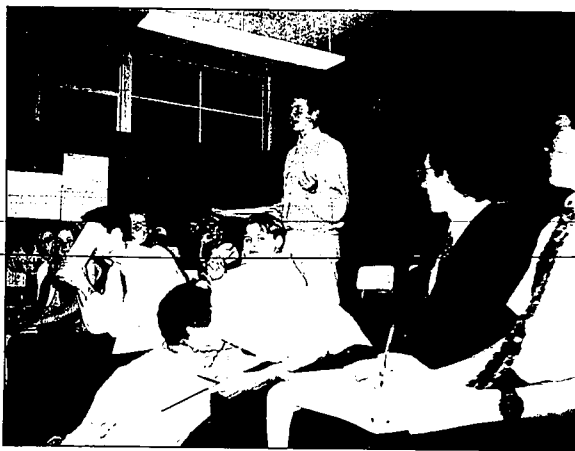
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They farmed and he worked construction until he entered college at 49.

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She has been a full-time mother to the family.

They have been active members of the LDS Church.

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## FERREL-HICKS

**TWIN FALLS** - Diane Elaine Ferrel and Jason Paul Hicks were married Aug. 29 at the Twin Falls Reformed Church.

The welcome was given by Pastor Jim Sommer of Christian Center Foursquare Church.

Officiating was Pastor Tracy Hansen, friend of the groom's family.

Teresa Marrit, cousin of the bride, was the pianist with Janie Griff on alto. "Papa's Song" was sung by the bride's uncle, Mark Gray.

Dave Abbing of Seattle performed his original lyrics and music, "The Power of Your Love," rewritten by father of the groom and lead guitarist, Ron Hicks, was played by his ensemble, Steve Wills on keyboard, and Don Bailey on bass guitar. Matt Eilers on drums and featured Kandi's Griff as soloist.

The bride is the daughter of Glen and Louise Ferrel of Jerome.

Parents of the bridegroom are Ron and Denise Hicks of Jerome.

Kim Gludtetter, friend of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor.

Candlelighters were Tressa Gunstone and Heidi Marsh, cousins of the groom.

Bridesmaids included Bev Shook and Jeannette Hanni, sis-

ter of the bride; and Shauna Kinne and Kandis Griff, friends of the bride.

Assistant flower girl was Lavina Shook, niece of the bride, and the ringbearer was her cousin, Bryce Marrit. Flower girl was Mikahla Shook, niece of the bride.

Justin Hicks, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Groomsmen included Sam Ferrel, brother of the bride; and Dirk Beem, Larry Shoa and Joshua Westfall, friends of the groom, from Seattle Pacific University in Seattle, Wash.

Other guests from the university included Travis Jeremiah, Church Carter, Mike Settle and Lindsey Lawrence.

Ushers were Gary Shook, brother-in-law of the bride, and Wylie, Tom and Scott Stone, cousins of the bride. Doormen were Jeff Marsh and Titus Gunstone, cousins of the groom.

Special guests included grand-

parents of the bride, Dwight and Dorothy Ferrel and Clara and



**Diane and Jason Hicks**  
West Stone, all of Jerome; grand-

parents of the groom, Calvin and Lovina Carr of Seattle and grand-

mother, Mary Hicks of Twin Falls; and uncles and aunts of the groom, Don and Gail Gunstone and family of Portland, Ore., and Bill and Debbie Marsh of Sumner, Wash.

The reception was held following the ceremony. Music was played by the jazz combo, Hal Silene, Paul Sharai, Don Bailey, Dave Abbing and Matt Eilers.

Serving were Naomi McGinnis, aunt of the bride, and Gail Gunstone, aunt of the groom.

Other servers were Debbie Marsh, aunt of the groom; Mary Gray and Karen Byrd, aunts of the bride; and Stacy Nussbaum and Jeannette Wills, friends of the groom, Heather Hine, friend of the bride, attended the guest book.

The bride graduated from Twin Falls Christian Academy and attended Northland Baptist Bible College.

She is a graduate of Shasta Bible College in California. She has been employed by Valley Valley Christian Day Care in Twin Falls.

The groom is also a graduate of Twin Falls Christian Academy and is a senior in visual arts study at Seattle Pacific University.

He will graduate in June 1999 and continue to graduate school.

He has been employed with the Twin Falls School District and Doug Hansen and Associate Glass Studio in Seattle.

The newlyweds are spending one university term in Alicante, Spain, where he is studying art and Spanish at the University of Alicante.

They will return to Idaho in December and then finish at Seattle Pacific University.

## TANAKA-SHUFF

**DENVER** - Lana Kay Tanaka and Thomas K. Shuff IV were married July 11 at the Central Christian Church in Denver, Colo.

Officiating was Dr. Dennis Clark. Derrick West was the organist. David Nordling, uncle of the bride, read a scripture.

The bride is the daughter of Clarence and Kyoko Tanaka of Twin Falls.

Parents of the bridegroom are Thomas and Janice Shuff III of Georgetown, Ky.

Tammy Tanaka, sister of the bride, served as the bride's maid of honor.

Gayla Tanaka, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid.

Mary Burger, niece of the groom, was the flower girl.

Matt Shuff, brother of the groom, served as best man.

Thomas K. Shuff III, father of the groom, was the groomsman.

Ushers were Buddy Sampson and Bryan Sampson, nephews of the groom.

Special guests included grandmother of the bride, Toshiye Tanaka of Shoshone.



**Lana Kay and Thomas Shuff IV**  
A reception was held following the ceremony. Serving were Yoshie K. Nordling, aunt of the bride, and Sharon Myers, friend of the bride.

The grandmother attended the guest book. Gift attendants were Irene Kan, aunt of the bride.

The bride attended Idaho State University in Pocatello and the University of Idaho in Moscow. She is employed at EBI Securities in Denver, Colo.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the University of Kentucky in Lexington, Ky. He is employed at EBI Securities in Denver.

The newlyweds reside in Denver.

## BALLARD-MILLER

**STANLEY** - Patricia M. Ballard and Douglas E. Miller were married Aug. 8 at the Sawtooth Meditation Chapel in Stanley.

Officiating was William Dial. The bride is the daughter of Claude and June Ballard of Bellevue.

Parents of the bridegroom are Lyle and Barb Miller of Davenport, Iowa, and Roseanne and Don Jensen of Andover, Iowa.

Tracy Ballard Badraun, sister of the bride, served as the bride's matron of honor.

Brian Riccio, friend of the groom, served as best man.

Special guests included Martha Sirman of Belton, Texas.

A reception was held following the ceremony at the Boise Train Depot.



**Patricia and Douglas Miller**  
Misty Buffington, sister of the bride, attended the guest book.

The bride is a graduate of Boise State University and Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Ore. She is employed as a teacher of the deaf at Jefferson School.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Iowa State University. He is employed as a mortgage lender at Summit Mortgage.

The newlyweds reside in Boise.

## THE SILVERS

**SHOSHONE** - Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Silver of Shoshone will be honored at an open house Saturday for their 60th wedding anniversary.

A special program will be presented at 2:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 205 E. Fifth in Shoshone.

Silver and Florene Bishop were married Nov. 29, 1938.

They have lived in Jerome and Shoshone.

They farmed in Jerome and, in later years, he sold farm equipment. In 1970, they purchased Lincoln Valley Sales in Shoshone.

They were there until retirement.

They have been active in the Grange, Odd Fellows, Rebekah Lodges, chambers of commerce and First Baptist Church in Shoshone.

## THE HURSTS

**HEYBURN** - Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hurst of Heyburn will be honored at a family celebration for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Hurst and Irene Allen were married Nov. 24, 1948, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.

They have been active in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and held various callings as temple workers.

The event is being given by their children, Dean (Jan) Hurst of Houston, Texas, Tim (Becky) Hurst of Heyburn, Rick (Trish) Hurst of Burley and Cindy (Kelly)



**Harold and Irene Hurst**  
Hutchinson of Burley.

The couple has 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



**Betty Lou and Ace Harmon**



**Betty Lou and Ace Harmon**

The event was given by their children, Sharyn Pogg of Jerome, Kris Stone of Jackpot, Judy McClimans of Jerome and Carol Christwell of Buhl.

The couple has 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

## LOVE

We'd like to offer our best wishes to the couples registered with us.

## Upcoming Weddings

- Saturday, November 28, 1998 - Kara Weaver & Matt Mahannah Sarah Delaney & Steve Beattie Deana Bothof & Aaron Easterday Toni Rodi & Rob Kulik Tiffany Seeley & Desland Case

- Saturday, December 5, 1998 - Michael Padgett & Abe Kunaus Kim Christie & Mike Johnson Stacey Land & Chad Henke

- Friday, December 18, 1998 - Julie Stubbs & Richard Olsen Michelle Stander & Jason Standfield

- Saturday, December 19, 1998 - Lauren Grupe & John Hansen Catherine Paulos & Jon Wiggins Dacia Van Wyk & Dustin Prins

- Sunday, December 20, 1998 - April Burkhalter & Kirk Loomis

- Tuesday, December 29, 1998 - Janice Windsor & Ryan Muchow

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## Anniversary or wedding?

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Deadline to get them into Sunday's Family Life section is noon on Wednesdays, although we also publish them on other days of the week.

But because space on the weekday Family Life pages is limited, we can't guarantee to get engagements and anniversaries into the paper before the event unless we receive the information at least four days in advance.

For example, if you have a Saturday wedding or anniversary planned, please let us

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## Family care crosses all bounds

Knight Ridder News Service

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Robyn Stone says she's identified the issue for the women's movement of the 21st century: family care.

If the term doesn't ring a bell, it's probably because you've heard it broken into bits and pieces: child care, work-family trends, elder care, disability issues, the sandwich generation.

Stone is executive director of the International Longevity Center USA in New York. At a recent seminar on "Life in an

Older America," she argued that it's time to forget the dividing lines and recognize family care as one continuous commitment that shapes women's lives from youth to old age. (Men can be wonderful, dedicated caregivers, she noted, but the task still falls to women more than 85 percent of the time.)

Family care responsibilities cross all the boundaries that often divide us: wealth, race, religion, politics, age, working woman and stay-home status. Even the traditional definition of

family means little, Stone said; single and childless women often care for relatives and close friends.

Consider the picture Stone paints: Paid caregivers tend to be women working for low wages, with few benefits that help them care for their own families. Women staying home with a sick or disabled family member face incredible stresses, with no pay and little support. And despite recent progress on work-family issues, most working women lose income and career standing when

they take time off for family care. All of these women may find themselves financially strapped in their own older years, Stone said. She called on grass-roots activists to rally behind such causes as Social Security payments that recognize the value of family care, as well as more community and workplace support for caregiving.

Imagine what would happen if all women dropped their care duties for one day. "This society," Stone said, "would screech to a halt."

## The many reasons I am very thankful

As Thanksgiving approaches I am thankful for many things: the love of family and friends, the blessings of good health, my happy life in my small and friendly town, and the fact that I live in Idaho — the best state in the Union.

But today I want to express in my column how thankful I am to be an American, for without my country much of what makes me thankful might not be possible. For centuries, no one — with the exception of Native Americans, perhaps — knew that the North American continent even existed. Let alone with what riches it was endowed.

When it was discovered for Spain by an Italian named Columbus it appeared, for a time, that our heritage might be Spanish instead of English.

If not for the defeat of the Spanish Armada that, indeed, would have been the case, for that defeat allowed England to control the seas and become the most powerful nation in the world instead of Spain.

At first only those Englishmen who were unhappy with their homeland or those searching for gold came to these shores. Eventually, however, many seeking a new life came to America hoping to fulfill their dreams.

The Revolutionary War assured our freedom from England; the Founding Fathers and their writing of the first Constitution the world had ever known secured our freedoms, and the Civil War assured that we would be forever the United States of America instead of



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being divided into tiny countries.

As time went on the vastness of this country and its great riches, both in minerals and land, allowed thousands and then millions of people to come here, be absorbed into our vast "melting pot," and find rewarding lives.

Because we were the "melting pot" — the product of many different types of people and their productive minds, America became, through time and effort by those many, the greatest nation in the world.

How privileged I feel to live here, to be a part of that effort to be the best in the world, and how glad I am and all of us should be that our ancestors, whoever they were and however they got here, had the courage and the gumption to make what must have been, for the majority of them, a wrenching move from all that had been safe, all that was known.

It is my hope that none of us will ever take our country for granted, that we will always appreciate and love this country — this vast "melting pot."

Her priceless heritage belongs to us all.

Gay Peterson is a retired school teacher who lives in Wendell.

## Consider charitable remainder trust as one retirement choice

Q. At 52 and 50, my wife and I have been looking at our retirement and estate plans out of necessity, and have been shocked at the complications.

For years, we have been putting all of the money we could into the qualified retirement plans at my place of employment; however, the rules governing these plans have become more costly and complex, that my employer has frozen our plan. My wife and I have considered IRA's, we can not put enough money away to do us much good. Are there other ways in which we can plan for retirement?

A. With increased regulation and increased cost of administration and management, more and more employers are either terminating or freezing qualified retirement plans. And as you have learned, IRA's simply won't cut it for many families because you can not put enough money away each year to meet your goals.

While there are other options, one interesting retirement alternative is the charitable remainder trust, or CRT.

Although traditionally used for estate planning purposes, when combined with an appropriate retirement investment plan, the CRT can provide retirement benefits equal to or in excess of those provided by traditional qualified plans without the regulatory difficulties and without the complex rules concerning contribution levels, minimum distributions, excess accumulations, and early withdrawal penalties.

Called "split interest" trusts because both charitable and non-charitable beneficiaries benefit from the property, CRTs provide that the income interest in the property is paid to individual beneficiaries during their lifetimes and, at the death of the last beneficiary, the remainder of the property goes to the charity or charities selected by the person who created the trust. The income interest in the trust property can either be a fixed dollar amount (called the "annuity") or a percentage of trust assets (called the "unitrust" amount which must be at least five percent).

In other words, if you con-



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tributed funds or property to the trust, the trust would provide distributions of income to you and your wife during your lives and, at the death of the last person, the remaining property would be transferred to the charity.

In addition to being entitled to a tax deduction, you can be the trustee and control the asset management with assistance from your investment advisers. And since the CRT is irrevocable, the trust assets are protected from the claims of third parties.

But there are risks: If you and your wife die simultaneously, the assets will be lost. For this reason, you might want to consider last in die life insurance as a tax-free wealth replacement resource for your children.

Also, if you intend to participate in Medicaid planning within five years after you create the trust, you will be disqualified. And there are complexities: Your tax deduction will be based upon the life expectancies of the income beneficiaries and other factors your contributions will be limited to a percentage of your adjusted gross income; and the trust will be required to file income tax returns each year.

In the overall scheme of things, charitable trusts can be useful in the planning process. If you are interested in learning more, make sure you contact a qualified attorney in your locale who has had experience in this field.

Jan Collins is an award-winning writer and editor; Jan Warner is a matrimonial, elder, and tax attorney. Both are based in Columbia. Please send your questions by email to janwarner@nextsteps.net or by mail to P.O. Box 11704, Columbia, S.C. 29211.

## At any age, quitting smoking reduces great risk of heart disease

The Hartford Courant

Former Connecticut Gov. William O'Neill remembers exactly when he started smoking. It was 1944 and the country was at war.

Newscasts flashed pictures of GIs lining up for cigarette giveaways; glamorous movie stars were blowing smoke rings on the big screen.

To an impressionable 14-year-old, lighting up signaled adulthood and sophistication. "At that time, everybody smoked," says O'Neill, 66. "There was no reason not to. We had no idea there would be any consequences."

In 1981, while he was governor, O'Neill had a heart attack followed by open heart surgery.

Doctors told him that his 37-year, three-pack-a-day habit was a major contributor to his heart disease and ill health.

### Want to quit?

Q. For a free "Senior Quitters" package, which includes tips to help you stop smoking, call the American Lung Association at (800) LUNG-USA.

"Then I finally stopped, but for me the damage was already done," says O'Neill, who was diagnosed with emphysema three years ago.

It's a common scenario. Most older adults began smoking before the harmful effects were known.

Like O'Neill, many are now experiencing the serious health consequences caused by 40 years of smoking.

But doctors and O'Neill agree it is never too late to stop. Quitting reaps many health benefits at any age.

## Senior RVers share a sense of adventure

Knight Ridder News Service

COLUMBIA, S.C. — You might dismiss them as geriatric gypsies, those American retirees who have taken to the roads in huge recreational vehicles.

But the life of the average "RVer" is far more rich and complex than you might imagine. For one thing, say anthropologists and David Counts, they are definitely not over the hill.

Many are in the "young-old" category, retiring in their 50s and early 60s to pursue dreams of travel and recreation.

In fact, the Counts says, those who have taken up the full-time RV life rue the thought of spending their golden years in a retirement home.

"These folks talk about what they are going to do tomorrow," said Dorothy Counts.

The Counts, Canadian researchers who spent two decades studying aging and other issues in the South Pacific, have spent the past few years examining the lives of those who have traded a permanent address for the open road. They each hold a Ph.D. in anthropology.

"We were curious as to why

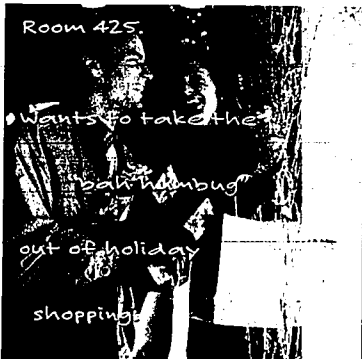
retired people would sell their homes and become nomadic," said Dorothy Counts. The husband-wife research team recently delivered a lecture on their findings at the University of South Carolina.

The visit was one of 17 stops they are making in a two-month lecture tour sponsored by the Recreation Vehicle Industry Association.

It turns out these senior road warriors share a number of characteristics: a sense of adventure, flexibility, the ability to face challenges and change, and a genuine fondness for meeting new people.

While selling a longtime home and disposing of many possessions can be traumatic, "they talked about being free of things," said Dorothy Counts. "They talked about going back to a simpler way of life, where material possessions didn't matter as much."

The Counts found that RVing provided a great common denominator, eliminating barriers of income, race and job status. Full-time RVers tend to create their community, even circling their RVs in some parks to create a common space.



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